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WASHINGTON NEWS NOTES

INTERESTING ITEMS FROM OUR NATION'S CAPITAL

The President Entertains the Diplomatic Corps—Senator Butler's Bill—Important Discovery of Congressman Plumb—Mr. Carlisle's Condition—Congress.

WASHINGTON, Jan 20—The president last night gave a dinner to the diplomatic corps. It was the most brilliant social event of the season The table was elaborately decorated with flowers and ferns The Marine band was stationed in the hall, and played at intervals.

The following guests were present The president Madame Romerel, the minister of Hayti, Mrs Cleveland, Lady Tupper, the Spanish minister, the Argentine minister, Mrs De Gama, the Prussian minister the Mexican minister, Baroness Fava the British minister, the French minister, Madame De Guzman the minister of Sweden and Norway, the Chinese minister, Mrs Sherman, the minister from Costa Rica Miss Bayard Sir Charles Tupper, Mr Belmont, Miss Stowe the charge d' affaires of Japan, Mrs Chanin the minister of Denmark, the minister of Nicaragua, the minister of Austria Hungary, Mrs Corning, the Hon. Mr Chamberlain Senator Sherman, Miss Murphy the charge d' affairs of Brazil, Mrs Townsend the charge d' affairs of Venezuela the minister of Columbia, the Turkish minister Madame Montufar, the German minister the Hawaiian minister Madame De Reutersfiold the Belgian minister, the secretary of state, the Italian minister, Mrs Carter, the minister of Switzerland, the Netherlands' minister, Miss West, the Chilian minister

Senator Butler's Bill

WASHINGTON Jan 20—Senator Butler has introduced a bill amendatory of the interstate commerce law which provides that no railroad shall charge for transportation of passengers more than two cents per mile for any distance over 200 miles, also that no common carrier subject to the provisions of the interstate act shall require any employe engaged in or connected with the transportation of passengers to work more than twelve hours consecutively

During the recess of congress, in his travels over different railroad Senator Butler from actual experience in railroad accidents, became convinced that one of the chief causes of the frequent catastrophes was the overworking of employes on passenger trains that engineers, conductors and brakemen are kept steadily on duty for more hours than human nature can endure and maintain the alertness necessary to the safety of passenger trains.

Congressman Plumb's Important Find

WASHINGTON, Jan 20—Representative Plumb of Illinois, claims to have discovered that an important law of congress relating to the power of the secretary of the treasury to go into the market and buy United States bonds has been practically annulled by misenrollment, misprint or some such clerical error

He says the law as it passed congress empowered the secretary to buy four per cent bonds at any time for thirty years and that by some clerical error it has been made to read in the statute book "after thirty years."

It was with a view of investigating this matter that Mr Plumb offered his resolution, which provided for the appointment of a special committee, and which the speaker pro tem. ruled out of order

Meeting of Veterans.

WASHINGTON Jan 20—There was a reception held at Grand Army hall here last night which brought together many veterans from various sections of the country Handshaking and speechmaking was indulged in early in the evening, and at 10 o'clock a banquet began at Willard's hotel

Among the veterans present were Gen John T Rea commander-in-chief of the Grand Army, Gen Daniel Fish adjutant general of the Grand Army, Post Commanders Beath Kountz Merrill, Burdette, Wagner and Vandervoort and Joseph W Kay of Brooklyn, chairman of the executive committee Veteran Rights, of New York.

Discussing Postal Telegraph.

WASHINGTON, Jan 20—The National board of trade convention spent two hours of the forenoon session to day discussing the postal telegraph resolution proposed by the New York board of trade and transportation After an animated discussion, the resolution, which declares that the usefulness of the postoffice department should be extended in the direction of telegraphic communication, and urges the earliest favorable consideration of the question by congress, was adopted by a two thirds vote

New Caledonian Convicts Coming

WASHINGTON Jan 20—The treasury department is informed that a number of convicts liberated at New Caledonia are on their way to this country via California The collector of customs and the commissioner of immigration at San Francisco have been notified to look out for such immigrants and to prevent their landing

Treaty With the Netherlands.

WASHINGTON Jan 20—The senate spent four hours in secret session yesterday afternoon on the extradition treaty with the Netherlands Mr Hoar occupied most of the time The treaty was ratified When the senate adjourned it was to next Monday

Speaker Carlisle Improving

WASHINGTON Jan 20—Mr Carlisle is very much better He now expects to fill his Macon engagement in about two weeks

Congress

In the senate petitions were presented and bills reported The deficiency appropriation bill was reported with a few amendments It will be called up Monday A resolution was adopted directing the secretary of the interior to report a plan of legislation needed for the disposition of the public timber lands After an agreement to adjourn until Monday the senate went into executive session

In the house a bill was reported to regulate practice in causes removed from state courts. A joint resolution accepting the invitation to participate in the Melbourne international exhibition and appropriating $50,000 was passed The National bank circulation bill was called up as the unfinished business but Anderson, of Kansas, and Weaver, of Iowa filibustered against it, and it went over Portraits of former speakers of the house from Massachusetts were presented by that state After speeches by the Massachusetts delegation and Messrs Randall and Breckinridge, of Kentucky, the gift was formally accepted by resolution, and at 4 p m. the house adjourned.

PROSPERITY KNOCKED HIM

Big Salaries and Honorable Positions Were Not Sufficient.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Jan. 20—The startling disclosures in the defalcation of City Court Clerk Frank M. Iron has thrown this city into a fever of excitement. At first it was supposed that $7,000 to $10,000 would cover the loss, but it has developed that the amount may go as high as $20,000 The money is supposed to have been invested in real estate, with a hope of a rise but values suddenly shrunk, and he was left no other recourse but to flee Iron left here two weeks ago, saying that he was going to Atlanta in the interest of the Southern Base Ball League

A gentleman in this city left him at the depot in Atlanta, since which time he has not been seen or heard of Iron came here several years ago from Memphis, in which city he moved in the best circles and was an officer in the Bluff City Grays Since he has been here he has occupied high positions of trust, being secretary and treasurer of the Gate City Land company, clerk of the city court, a director in the Birmingham National bank, president of the Birmingham Base Ball association, and first lieutenant of the Birmingham Rifles.

Iron was sober and industrious, and had hosts of friends His position as city clerk was worth $10,000 a year at least. His books are now being examined It is supposed that he has gone to join the Canadian colony or possibly to Europe. Iron is about five feet ten inches, rather dull countenance, dark hair, and weighs about one hundred and seventy five pounds. There are vague hints of a woman in the case, but they can be traced to no reliable source

Ohio Legislature.

COLUMBUS, O, Jan 20—In the senate bills were introduced admitting criminals to bail in petitions in error, improvement of Hartwell road, to suppress bucket shops and gambling in produce, creating state board of elections, preventing certain foreign corporations from doing business in Ohio giving mayors and justices power to enforce the penalty for the adulteration of food, preventing payments of dividends without surplus profits. A number of local bills were passed

In the house bills were introduced taxing express and telegraph companies, changing the time of meeting of road viewers, amending the building and plumbing inspection law of Cincinnati, allowing Hamilton county commissioners $1,000 for traveling expenses, providing for war claims, allowing jurors before justices $1 per day, making term of office of constables three years, providing a penalty for unauthorized persons to wear a G A R. badge, increasing the facilities of the Cincinnati fire department, preventing judgment being taken on cognovit notes except where defendant resides, to further prevent swindling in notes.

Proposed Ship Yard on the Gulf Coast

MOBILE, Ala., Jan. 20—The war department has ordered J H. Turner of the United States coast survey, to make a typographical and hydrographical survey of Mobile river from the junction of the Tombigbee and Alabama to the mouth, the object being to obtain information as to a water approach to Mount Vernon, and as to the availability of that point for a government ship yard

Last session Senator Morgan, of Alabama it will be remembered, amended the bill authorizing the construction of new cruisers so that, if satisfactory bids were received from this section, one should be built on the gulf Morgan has prevailed on the department to authorize the survey

His idea is, deep water to Mount Vernon can be easily obtained. That point is most readily accessible to iron and timber, and therefore a most suitable place on the gulf coast for a navy yard Turner is here, and will begin work at once Some two months will be consumed in making the survey

This is emergency work, and not included in the plans of the coast and geodetic survey Turner will also establish tide gauges at Mt Vernon, Mobile and a point midway between

The Fidelity Trial.

CINCINNATI, Jan 20—There might be a sensation at any minute in the Ben. Hopkins trial, consequently a large number of spectators gather in the United States court room daily Yesterday morning J H Watters, bookkeeper, occupied considerable time in showing that the checks issued by Harper to carry on the wheat deal were of no value In the afternoon the Fidelity's notary, Edward Gurney, testified that he administered the oath of office to the bank's officers and directors. Watters, on being recalled, said Hopkins watched the clerks, hired the men and spent a great deal of time soliciting accounts Mr Hopkins took the pauper's oath, declaring that he is not able to pay for witnesses' subpoenas

Two Men Ground to Death

BUTLER Pa, Jan. 20—Yesterday John Mathio, a Frenchman, and a Belgian named Aliax or Elliott, a foreman at the Standard plate glass works, in this place, were almost instantly killed while placing a sheet of glass in position on the grinding table. They were standing on the table with John Kennick, an Irishman, when the grinders were set in motion Kennick saw the danger and leaped to the center of the table, and a minute later was thrown off into a pit by the velocity of the machine, escaping with few injuries Aliax legs were ground off close to his body, while Mathio was cut in the back through the scapula into the thorax, both men dying soon afterward

Epidemic of Hydrophobia.

BELVIDERE, N J, Jan 20—An epidemic is raging among the dogs of Oxford and a number have shown unmistakable signs of hydrophobia. A local physician of note says the disease is caused by exposure to the severe cold weather Cattle have been bitten and died and a great number of dogs are suffering Thus far no one has been bitten The authorities have ordered all dogs affilicted with the epidemic destroyed at once

RAILROADERS AND MINERS

AN APPEAL FOR MORAL AND FINANCIAL AID ISSUED

A Copy to be Sent to all American Organized Bodies of Labor—Prospects of a Settlement as Far Off as Ever—New York Cigarmakers Again in Trouble

PHILADELPHIA, Jan 20—An appeal for moral and financial aid for the 60,000 miners and railroad men now on a strike against the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad company has been addressed to all bodies of organized labor in this country It has been issued by the executive committee of the strikers, and is exhaustive in its treatment of the cause and primary progress of the strike. The chairman of the committee, John L Lee was in this city yesterday, and he made arrangements to have a large number of copies printed and mailed to every assembly of organized labor in the United States and Canada.

The appeal is dated "Pottsville, Pa, January 19 1888," and after reciting the grievances, the attempts made to effect a settlement of the strike, the insults heaped upon the leaders by Mr Sweigard and the universality of the order given for the men to strike closes as follows

"We now appeal to every man in this land who loves liberty and fair play to render all the assistance possible morally and financially, to enable and prevent this monopoly from crushing out the spirit of organization, and against the downtrodden miners and railroaders of the Philadelphia & Reading system

"Freemen, are you going to permit this injustice to be perpetrated upon a law abiding people who are refused the right to meet together as an organized body? Are you going to remain silent and inactive while 60 000 men are suffering innumerable indignities brought about by the artless and soulless corporations?

"Bear in mind, fellow workmen that this is a life and death struggle for the recognition of organized labor and the men in this anthracite valley are determined to uphold the dignity of labor and await with deep anxiety the liberal response that should come from every sympathetic member of a common brotherhood.

"We ask nothing but what we are entitled to under the constitution and laws of this commonwealth This was denied because we earn our bread by the sweat of our brow Workingmen, think of this and ask yourselves Is it not your duty to enlist yourself in the struggle with the bread winners, who are struggling for a recognition of the inalienable rights Arouse and call public meetings in your towns and cities Pass resolutions to assist the men who have been forced into idleness, because they had the moral courage to assert that labor had rights that capital should respect

"All remittances should be forwarded at once to the Philadelphia & Reading employes' executive board. JOHN L LEE,
Chairman"

No Prospects of a Settlement

READING Pa, Jan 20—There is less prospect now than ever for an early settlement of the strike The operators of individual collieries who expected to start up have abandoned all efforts in that direction The division among the miners is not sufficient to enable the operators to secure enough help to go ahead

The strike leaders exhibit greater confidence than ever, and say that they are bound to win

The furnaces in the Schuylkill valley will be kept in blast as long as possible for the purpose of filling contracts Most manufacturers are losing $1 per ton on all iron at present turned out. The use of coke has increased the cost of production, but improved the quality of the iron Some of the furnaces have large contracts on hand, and if the same are not filled, heavy forfeit money will have to be paid

It is rumored that the miners have emphatically declared that they will not go to work for any new corporation so long as the tracks and cars of the Reading railway are used in carrying the coal which they cut

To Be Heard Next Thursday

HARRISBURG, Pa., Jan 20—Messrs Cahill Bennett and Moore representing the Reading railroad employes and Knights of Labor have been here to lay complaint before the attorney general that the Reading railroad coal and iron companies are violating the constitution and to request him to bring suit against them The attorney general was absent, but it was arranged that they should have a hearing on next Thursday The committee called on Governor Beaver while here

Coal the Highest Ever Known

TAMAQUA Pa., Jan 20—Coal is now selling here at $4 75 per ton, or $4 at the colliery, the highest ever known in this section of the coal regions Very little coal of domestic sizes can be had

Striking Cigarmakers

NEW YORK Jan 20—It is estimated that 1,500 cigarmakers are now on a strike in this city, and it is expected that permission will be received to day from the head of the union at Buffalo, for all in the city to go out There are 600 employes on a strike at Sutro & Lewmarks' factory the thirty five women locked up by the firm to prevent the strike committee from talking to them having quit the place Most of these hands are non union but the union will take care of them All but four hands at Ottenberg Brothers' factory are out Kimball & Crouses' hands expect to be taken back Monday at the old scale. The union will probably begin suit against Moonelis & Company who used a label resembling the union label The 300 local branches throughout the country have sent from $10 to $50 each to help the strikers Next Saturday a fifty cent assessment on those at work will begin

A man named Smalz has invented a machine to cut wrap, fill and finish cigars. It is claimed that a ten year old girl can operate the machine, and that one machine can turn out as much work as three men working by hand One hundred machines are to be placed at once in a large cigar factory in this city, where the employes are now on strike If they do what is claimed for them, they will make it unnecessary for the manufacturers to consider the demands of the strikers

BRIEF MENTION

News of the Day Condensed for the Hasty Peruser.

Another natural gas well has been discovered at Chicago

John Degnan, aged fourteen, was killed while coasting at Youngstown, O

John Krell a brakeman on the Wabash railway, was killed at Danville, Ill.

The State Horticultural association, of Pennsylvania, is in session at Lebanon

The Massachusetts senate has passed the prohibition amendment by a vote of 25 to 8

The steamer Britannia has arrived safely in New York, after a most tempestuous voyage.

The Ohio Miners' association, in session at Columbus has indorsed the official course of State Inspector Bancroft.

A Washington rumor says that C R. Faulkner, chief of the record division of the pension bureau, will resign.

Billy Myers, of Streator, Ill., knocked out Harry Gilmore, of St. Paul, in twenty six seconds, at North Judson, Ind.

Dr Pingree, an eye and ear specialist of Chicago, has been sued by A B, Pullman for $25,000 damages for malpractice

E Panker and L Fulton blew out the gas when retiring at the International hotel, New York, and were found dead

William Lohr, aged fifty-four, attempted suicide at Akron, O, by drinking carbolic acid He is in a critical condition

The aged mother of ex President Garfield is very low at her home at Mentor, and is not expected to live more than a few days

The Turners of Green Bay, Wis., have asked the North American Turner Bund to expel Anarchistic members of the organization

Minnie Ray, daughter of a prominent citizen of Colorado Springs, threw herself in front of a train, and was instantly killed

F G Martin, who murdered Samuel Higdon, at South Pittsburg, Tenn., was captured on a Cincinnati Southern train near Chattanooga

In a wreck on the East Line railroad, near Jefferson, Tex, caused by the general bad condition of the railroad, seven persons were injured

The secretary of the treasury has designated the National Branch bank, of Madison, Ind, to be a depository of public moneys.

A small can of dynamite was exploded at the Hoboken ferry in Jersey City, causing considerable commotion and slightly injuring one person

Albert Sanders, a mill hand at Youngstown, and Jack Wilson, a Pittsburg pugilist, fought two rounds, in which Wilson was knocked entirely out.

Tommy Barnes, the old featherweight, tried but failed to knock out Jimmy Flannigan at Jacksonville, Fla., last night in eight rounds for a purse of $300

Miss Mary A Brown, a maiden lady, of Norristown, Pa., has been swindled out of $10,000 by a Philadelphia woman, who claimed to run a ladies' bank

The secretary of the treasury has transmitted to congress a list of 658 of the Fourth of July claims, aggregating $108,037, examined and allowed by the treasury

The Northern Pacific railway directors have accepted a joint lease with the Union Pacific, of the Oregon Railway & Navigation company's line from Portland, east and south

Camps in the northern Wisconsin pineries are rapidly breaking up, owing to the deep snow Prominent logging men say that only a two thirds crop of logs will be banked this winter

The annual performance for the benefit of the Roman Catholic orphans' asylum at the Metropolitan opera house, New York, netted $10,000 Four thousand people were refused admission

A faith cure "revival" is being held at Reading, Pa., among the Mennonites. Many persons afflicted have flocked to the church and announced their faith, but no cures are so far reported

The ice in the straits is so weakened by the snow upon it that it will not bear teams with safety Consequently crossing this winter will be a failure. This insures an early opening of navigation.

Public indignation is aroused in the state of Pueblo, Mex., over the assassination in the past few months of several Freemasons whose political and religious ideas were repugnant to the fanatical clericals.

Mrs Libby Culbertson McCune, of New York, went to Ironton, O, and kidnaped her young daughter, whom she found on the street She made her escape with the child, but a hackman who assisted her has been arrested

The Mormon church made application to the territorial supreme court for an appeal to the supreme court of the United States for an order appointing a receiver in the Escheat cases The supreme court refused to grant the appeal

Kentucky has organized an industrial commission, with Governor Buckner as its chairman, to arrange an exhibit of the resources of the state for the Cincinnati centennial. The legislature will be asked to appropriate $20,000 for the purpose

George W Voice and Patrick O'Neil have filed suit at Belleville, Ill, for $50,000 each against Detective Thomas Furlong and Frank B Bowman, for false imprisonment in connection with the murder of ex Mayor John B Bowman, of East St Louis

The National board of trade, in session at Washington adopted by a two-thirds vote a resolution declaring that the usefulness of the postoffice department should be extended in the direction of telegraphic communication and urging the earliest favorable consideration of the question by congress.

Two daughters of William Williams and a young man named Babbitt, all residing near Ennis, Tex, broke through the ice while skating on Sand lake, and were drowned in four and a half feet of water, together with three rescuers, who, one by one were overpowered by the drowning ones

A delegation headed by Congressman Butterworth, of Ohio, has extended to President Cleveland an invitation to be present in Cincinnati on the occasion of the centennial celebration of the acquisition of the northwest territory under the ordinance of 1787 The president said that he would certainly attend if his duties would permit him to do so

ON AUSTRIA'S FRONTIER.

TYPHUS RAGING IN THE CAMPS OF THE RUSSIAN TROOPS

The Present Condition of Affairs Will Hasten the Czar's Decision—Jack Davis Backs out of His Challenge—Fatal Collision Off Gibraltar—Notes

BERLIN, Jan 20—Advices from the frontier state that there are fresh arrivals of Russian troops, and that the condition of the soldiers on the Galician border is rapidly growing worse Typhus rages everywhere among the troops, but its ravages are especially severe in the camp at Czentos ban Numerous deaths have occurred from cold and privation.

In the opinion of military authorities here it is impossible for the men to remain encamped during this weather for two months. The present distressing condition of affairs must, they say, hasten the decision of the czar, either to active work and thus commence the war, or to withdraw the troops now assembled on the frontier

The Austrian war office officials have decided that in view of the miseries of their own men, and of the sickness and disease among the Russian soldiers they will order no immediate increase in the frontier forces

The Sultan and Vanderbilt.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan 20—On the occasion of Mr Vanderbilt's recent visit here the sultan strongly urged the American millionaire to take upon himself the construction of Asiatic railways Finding, probably that the American continent offered a field quite vast enough for his enterprise in the way of railways, Mr Vanderbilt pleaded that his visit was one of pleasure and not of business and that, moreover, he had had no opportunity of studying even the outlines of the suggested scheme

Nothing daunted, the sultan has forwarded to Egypt to the address of Mr Vanderbilt all papers bearing on the question at the same time expressing the hope that if he is not disposed to undertake the railroads, his compatriot, Mr Jay Gould, who is now in Egypt, may not be disinclined to take up the project

Will Try an Electric Locomotive

LONDON, Jan 20—The managers of the London underground railway have recently contracted for an electric locomotive to be of the same power as the steam locomotives used now If the trial engine is a success electric motive power will be adopted by the road

Jack Davis Takes Water

LONDON, Jan 20—Jack Davis, the pugilist, now backs out of the challenge he issued, offering to fight either Smith, Kilrain or Sullivan, and says that he will not be ready to fight under six months

Victoria to Visit Florence

LONDON, Jan 20—It is officially announced that the queen will visit Florence in the spring The report that a house had been engaged for her at San Remo is untrue

The Police Know Nothing of It

ST PETERSBURG, Jan 20—The police here claim to be certain that there was no organized plot against the czar's life during the New Year celebration

Disastrous Collision Reported

LONDON, Jan 20—The Cassandra collided with and sunk the steamer Oxford off Gibraltar It is reported that twenty persons were drowned

Three Years of Peace Not Probable

BERLIN, Jan 20—The report that Prince Bismarck said that Germany would be peaceful for the next three years is semi officially denied

Gladstone's Health Good.

LONDON, Jan 20—Reports from Florence state that Mr Gladstone is in unequalled health and spirits.

Spain's Ex-Queen to Be Exiled

LONDON, Jan 20—Dispatches from Spain state that ex Queen Isabella will shortly be exiled.

Chicago "Boodlers"

CHICAGO, Jan 20—A motion was made in the appellate court yesterday, to quash the application for a writ of error in the case of convicted county board "boodlers" and to dismiss the cause for want of equity The motion is based on the claim that appeal and writs of error in criminal cases must be taken direct to the state supreme court, and that the offense charged is a felony and not a misdemeanor Should the appellate court grant the motion the convicted "boodlers" will at once be transferred from the county jail to the state penitentiary The motion will be argued next Wednesday

Price of Barb Wire Goes Up

CHICAGO, Jan 20—The Barb Wire Manufacturers' association, representing twenty five houses, at a meeting in this city, adopted a resolution to the effect "that owing to the advance in the price of iron rods caused by the combination of foreign rod mill owners supplying the American market and the advance made in spelter, the price of barb wire be advanced twenty five cents per hundred, such advance to take effect to day" A resolution to advance galvanized iron from seventy five cents to one dollar per hundred was proposed, but not carried

The Britannia Safe in Port

NEW YORK, Jan 20—The Britannia reached quarantine yesterday afternoon and will come up to her pier to-day Her delay was due to adverse winds which hampered her progress until she ran out of coal She put into Bermuda for a fresh supply of coal, and was detained three days. The passengers suffered no inconvenience beyond the tediousness incident to such a long voyage, and all were well when they arrived here There were two deaths from natural causes among the 850 steerage passengers on the voyage

A Round House Burned

ST PAUL Minn Jan 20—The round house of the St Paul & Duluth road caught fire about 2 o'clock this morning and was entirely consumed There were six engines in the structure, three of them being new The loss will be about $40,000, covered by insurance

COUNTY SEAT WAR

The Court Records Taken From One County to Another By Force

TOPEKA, Kan, Jan 20—C O McDowell and others, of Eustus Sherman county, are in the city in consultation with the governor and attorney general in reference to the forcible capture and retention of the county records of that county by an armed mob of citizens of Goodland who visited Eustus last Friday, and with threats of burning the town and killing all who offered resistance succeeded in obtaining and removing the records to Goodland, the contestant for county seat honors McDowell says that the feeling is very high in Sherman county and there is danger of a clash of arms and blood shed at any moment

The Homesteaders Union association, a secret order among the homesteaders, have taken sides with the Goodland people, and the latter thus outnumber the Eustus people No law is recognized in Sherman county Mr McDowell says but the law of force Governor Martin refused as yet to take any action in the matter as he had received no official information regarding the occurrence He will do nothing unless the orders of the courts are interfered with or violated, when, upon official proofs furnished to the courts that such has been the case he will take such steps as to him seems best, even to ordering out the militia

Turners Expelling Anarchists

GREEN BAY, Wis, Jan 20—The turners of this city have issued their circular letter to the societies of the North American Turnerbund asking for the expulsion of the Anarchist members of the organization They declare that the aim of Father John, the noble founder of the Turners was to educate patriots defenders of the Fatherland, heroes of liberty, but not rebels, not enemies and destroyers of government and law In conclusion they propound these questions "Are societies that by word and deed encourage and abet anarchism to remain in the bund, and shall notorious Anarchists be further suffered to remain in any society of the Turners? Shall a paper that avows radical principles held by the majority of the Turners be further tolerated as the official organ of the Turnerbund?"

Train Robbers Foiled

ST LOUIS, Mo, Jan 20—An attempt was made upon a Wabash train last night by robbers, twenty seven miles west of Kansas City, near Missouri City The train was flagged and the engineer ordered out of his cab The officials had information of the attempt, and a volley from shotguns met the robbers, and the leader was shot down. The county officials are now in pursuit

Experience With Coil Pipes

QUINCY, Ill, Jan 20—A car stove fitted with coil pipes used on a Chicago, Burlington & Quincy passenger train, as an experiment, exploded at Bushnell to day with terrific force, badly wrecking the coach About thirty passengers in the car had just stepped out to lunch, or serious accidents would have resulted

FINANCE AND COMMERCE

Quotations for the Money, Stock, Produce and Cattle Market for Jan 19.

NEW YORK—Money 3½ per cent Exchange steady Governments steady

Currency sixes, 120½ bid four coupons, 125⅝ four and a half, 108½ bid

The stock market opened weak and so continued throughout the morning prices declining ⅛ to 1 per cent. by midday on selling of Reading & St Paul, said to be for London account Since noon the market has been dull

Bur & Quincy	127½	Mich Cent	83
Central Pacific	32	Missouri Pacific	85⅝
C, C, C & I	52	N Y Central	[illegible]
Del & Hudson	107	North western	104¾
Del Lac & W	130	do preferred	[illegible]
Illinois Cen	117	Ohio & Miss	21
Kan & Texas	16¾	Pacific Mail	[illegible]
Lake Shore	[illegible]	St Paul	75⅞
Louisville & Nash	61¼	Western Union	77⅞

Cincinnati

FLOUR Fancy, $3 90@4 10, family, $3 40@3 65

WHEAT—No 3 red, 85@88c, No 2, 89@89½c

CORN—No 3 mixed, 53c, No 2 mixed, 52c

OATS—No 1 mixed, 35@36c, No 2 mixed, 34@35, No 1 white, 35@36c

PORK—Family, $14 75@14 87½ regular, $14 87½@15 00

LARD Kettle 7½@7¾c

POULTRY Common chickens, $2 75@3 25 per dozen fair to prime $4 15@4 70

WOOL Unwashed fine merino 17@18c, one fourth blood combing, 23@24c medium delaine and clothing, 23@25c braid, 18@19c medium combing 24@ [illegible], fleece washed fine merino X and XX 30@31c, medium clothing, 28@30c delaine fleece, 29@30c

HAY No 1 timothy, $14 00@15 00 No 2, $11 00@11 00, mixed, $10 00@11 00 prairie, $9 00@10 00 wheat, oats and rye straw $5 50@6 00

CATTLE—Good to choice butchers, $3 50@4 25, fair, $2 00@3 25 common, $1 00@2 00, stockers and feeders, $1 00@4 00 yearlings and calves, $2 00@3 00

HOGS Select butchers, $5 45@5 50 fair to good packing, $5 20@5 40, fair to good light, $4 75@5 25 common, $4 00@4 75, culls, $3 00@4 75

SHEEP Common to fair, $2 50@3 00 good to choice $3 25@5 00 common to fair lambs, $4 00@4 75 good to choice $4 85@5 25

Buffalo Live Stock

CATTLE Dull and weak common to fair $3 00@4 25 good to choice shipping $4 85@5 00 extra steers $5 40@5 60 stockers and feeders, $[illegible] veals, $5 00@7 00 receipts 2,100 head

HOGS Market weak, light $5 00@5 20 mixed and Yorkers, $5 20@5 70 selected Yorkers, $5 60@5 75 good to choice heavy, $5 80@5 90 receipts, 10,115 head

SHEEP—Higher medium to good, $5 00@5 50 choice to extra, $5 60@6 00

LAMBS Steady, ordinary to choice western $[illegible], extra, $6 40

Pittsburg

CATTLE—Slow, prime $5 10@5 25, fair to good $4 50@5 00 common $3 00@4 00, feeders $[illegible] stockers $2 25@3 00; receipts, 850 shipments, 494

HOGS Slow receipts 1 500 shipments, 1 500 Philadelphias $5 [illegible] Yorkers $5 60 [illegible] common $5 00@5 50 mixed $5 50 5 0.

SHEEP Active receipts 800 shipments 1 [illegible] prime $5 [illegible] fair to good $4 00@4 50 common, $2 00@3 50

New York

WHEAT No 1 red, [illegible] No 2 red winter, 90½c, March, 91½c

CORN—Mixed 62½c, March 61¾c

OATS No 1 white [illegible] No 2, [illegible]@41½c

CATTLE $3 75@5 00 per 100 pounds live weight

HOGS $5 10@5 50 per 100 pounds

SHEEP $3 40@5 75 per 100 pounds live weight

Chicago

CATTLE Choice to extra shipping $5 00@5 60 mixed, $1 50@4 00 stockers and feeders, $2 25@3 60

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THE MINORITY REPORT

IN THE THOEBE-CARLISLE CASE PRESENTED IN THE HOUSE

Names of the Signers—The Reasons for Making the Report—The Potters Will Stand by Their Old Prices—Annual Meeting of the National Board of Trade

WASHINGTON Jan 19—The minority report on the Thoebe-Carlisle case was presented to the house yesterday It is signed by Messrs Lyman, Houk Lodge and Johnson of Indiana It says that had the case been allowed to stand as first presented to the committee there would not have been a dissenting voice from the report giving Mr Carlisle his seat But they consider that the charges made by Mr Thoebe's attorney, supported by ex parte affidavits made it the duty of the committee to make a further investigation into the facts of the case

They concede that the affidavits presented on behalf of Mr Carlisle answered these charges as far as ex parte affidavits could, yet they hold that this ought not to have been considered warrant for so hastily closing the case and they suggest that the anxiety of the representatives of Mr Carlisle to close the case should have prompted the committee to look deeper into the matter

Mr Rowell makes a brief report for himself in which he says that the charges made in the Thoebe affidavits were fully answered by those presented on the part of Mr Carlisle, and that he thinks there was no warrant for reopening the case. He says he agrees with the majority but for the fact that he did not think ex parte affidavits should be received by the committee as evidence in such cases

The Potters' Convention

WASHINGTON, Jan 19—The potters' convention yesterday listened to Professor David T Day, of the geological survey on the production of pottery, passed a resolution favoring the constitutional centennial celebration of the sixteen American republics which is to take place in Washington in 1889, and passed a strong resolution endorsing the American Shipping and Industrial league, and promising to stand by them in their efforts to build up the American merchant marine

On the question of prices they resolved to stand by their last year's list and to allow a comparison of the artistic features of their work, they agreed to ask for space for a permanent exhibition in the Smithsonian or National museum, and then adjourned sine die

A banquet was held at Willard's hotel

National Board of Trade

WASHINGTON Jan 19—The National board of trade opened its annual convention at Willard's hotel at noon yesterday, Hon Frederick Fraley, of Philadelphia, president, presiding Hamilton A Hill secretary About the first business transacted was the election of officers Messrs Fraley and Hill were re elected for the twenty first term

At the afternoon session resolutions were adopted urging the passage of a judicious National anti food adulteration law, favoring the establishment of a new executive department of the government, to be called the department of industry commerce, agriculture and mining advocating the extension and enlargement of coast and harbor defenses, and favoring appropriations for river and harbor improvements generally The convention then adjourned to meet today

Restoration of Land Ordered

WASHINGTON, Jan 19—The acting commissioner of the general land office has ordered the restoration of the land heretofore withdrawn for indemnity purposes for the Chicago & Northwestern, Grand Rapids & Indiana, Jackson, Lansing & Saginaw and the St Joseph & Denver City Railroad companies

The Marietta Centennial

WASHINGTON, Jan 19—In the house yesterday the memorial of the board of centennial commissioners at Marietta, O, in regard to the centennial celebration of the settlement of the territories of the northwest was presented and ordered printed in the record

Continues to Improve

WASHINGTON Jan 19—Speaker Carlisle is reported much improved in health, but by advice of his physicians, he will not undertake his proposed southern trip

Congress

In the senate petitions and memorials were presented A bill was passed to fix the charge for passports at $1 (now $5) A bill was reported to settle and adjust the claim of any state for expense incurred in the defense of the United States The direct tax bill was considered An amendment was added barring all claims not filed within six years The bill was then passed The Blair educational bill was discussed until 4 50 p m, when the senate adjourned

In the house Mr Grosvenor presented the memorial of the board of centennial commissioners, at Marietta, O in regard to the centennial celebration of the settlement of the northwestern territories It was ordered printed A resolution was reported requiring of the secretary of the interior what legislation is necessary for the disposal of public timber lands and for the preservation of the natural forests at the head of navigable rivers A resolution was offered making inquiry as to the funding account It was not received as it referred to the proceedings of a past congress The minority report on the Thoebe-Carlisle contest was submitted The bill making an appropriation for the establishment of agricultural experiment stations was passed A joint resolution appropriating $50,000 for the representation of the United States at the international exhibition, at Melbourne, went over as unfinished business Wilkins called up his National bank bill, and Weaver of Iowa filibustered until 4 p m when the house adjourned

Death of Thomas H Maddox.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan 20—Dr Thomas H Maddox, a prominent citizen of this state, died last night at Bayou Rapides, aged ninety five He was the last survivor of the famous Sand Bar duel of 1827 opposite Natchez, in which he and a brother of ex-Governor J Madison Wells were principals,

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The report of the Commission appointed in 1886 to report the most humane and practical method of carrying into effect the sentence of death was sent to the N Y Legislature It recommends the killing of culprits by electricity The Commissioners are Elbridge T Gerry, Alfred P Southwick and Matthew Hall The report is a very voluminous document, and advises that the date of the execution be made uncertain so that the criminal may not know on what day he is to die, and that the corpses go to the doctors or a nameless grave without religious rites, and that newspapers be forbidden to describe the execution It is to be hoped that the disgusting pandering to criminals will also be prohibited by law, and crime be visited with speedy and ignominious punishment

The Richwood Gazette says the STAR is the only paper in this senatorial district that has vented any spleen against Senator Cutler The Gazette rather unjustly accuses us for all we had said was that the Doctor had been accused of Mugwump tendencies when his nomination was considered and his bolt tended to confirm that story While on this subject we will say that Senator Cutler has really displeased his Marion county constituents, and if he has good grounds for his action he has never made it appear so

Not infrequently some man, owner of a few hundred acres in the rural districts, comes to town and isn t content until he has informed a half dozen Marion citizens that "that is a nice court house we (farmers) have built for you " This class of comment becomes very tiresome If these insinuating growlers will stop to think a moment they will discover that Marion corporation and township pays about one fourth of all the taxes of Marion county, and these silly thrusts are in very bad taste

The great strike in the Pennsylvania anthracite coal region, including employes of the Reading railroad system, continues despite all efforts to effect a compromise Business generally is not only seriously affected, but the large number of persons out of employment during the severe weather of midwinter causes great personal suffering which is aggravated by each day s continuance of the unfortunate state of affairs

Great is the Ohio man, or woman for that matter because Bunnie Campbell received a larger breach of promise verdict than any woman in the country Even an Ohio Republican has been appointed to an important foreign trust by President Cleveland The never failing tendency of the Buckeye citizen to get there, makes Mr Sherman s friends all the more sanguine in expecting him to occupy the Presidential chair

The numerous inquiries about what to expect from the Gas well are difficult to answer A careful hearing of the theories advanced for and against it lead to a sober conclusion that the situation is not only hopeful but cheering There are really more grounds for believing in ultimate good results than decrying its merits, unless it is believed that a veritable Nemesis is driving away all our luck

Our State Legislature proposes to tackle the death dealing stove in the railway passenger service, and is also going to look after the railroads with a view of having them improve the poor light of coal oil lamps There is no doubt but the stove can be done away with, and it will be no difficult matter for all roads to light their cars with gas as the C and A does

It is to be hoped that the gas find may prove a genuine, inexhaustible gusher for Marion will get all the benefits to be derived, and no one disputes but natural gas has a real, booming influence But our substantial boom has started without it, and it will go on whether we have gas or not Marion is in the happy position of not necessarily requiring gas to "get there"

It has been decided that the bodies of the Anarchists will not be cremated This statement has no reference to the future roast that follows the millennium however

A Pastor Cured by Faith

Rev Dr John Williamson, Pastor Michigan Ave church Chicago has been cured by faith His A Sterling, County Assessor Roseburg, Or was not cured by faith but by Acker s Blood Elixir He says — I have derived so much benefit by taking Acker s Blood Elixir, that I unhesitatingly endorse it as a medicine of unusual reliability I urge all who may be afflicted with disorders of the blood to give this most excellent remedy a fair trial I am sure, after doing so they will corroborate this statement of mine and thank me for making it This wonderful Blood Elixir is guaranteed and sold by L Denison & Co druggist

The workmen of Wilder Bushnell & Glessner s immense factory at Springfield attested their good will to the concern and their appreciation of the advantage of American liberty by presenting the firm with a magnificent American flag

MODERN MAGICIANS

WONDERFUL TRICKS SHOWN A GERMAN WHILE IN CAIRO

A Performance in the Open Air—Mysterious Disappearance of Transparent Ball—A Necromancer's Method of Killing Dogs—A Strange Death

When Frederick Gerstaecker accompanied the Duke of Coburg to eastern Africa the party of the veteran traveler was dropped at Cairo where a German banker treated them to a dinner of Egyptian fare followed by an exhibition of local talent fife concerts Arabian dances and legerdemain The exponent of the latter accomplishment produced a copper rice box and repeatedly emptied it on the carpet alternating his throws with predictions that were lost upon the foreigners but after a series of similar preliminaries invited his audience to an open terrace and in the plain light of the evening sun flung up a number of transparent balls that disappeared at an apparent height of some eighty feet above the foot of the esplanade The globes were colorless and polished like white glass but as light as gum and were repeatedly submitted to the examination of the spectators After passing from hand to hand they were put in an open vessel shaped somewhat like a short handled dipper and leaning back till his outstretched arm nearly touched the ground the wizard then flung them straight up in the air, where they could be seen glittering for a moment like icicles or large glass pearls

WHAT BECAME OF THEM?

But nobody ever saw them fall down again though the scene of the experiment was surrounded by a large level lawn the air seemed to have swallowed them like globes of dissolving vapor Could they have evaporated or exploded into a spray of minute particles (after the manner of Prince Rupert s drops)? A sleight of hand trick was clearly out of the question but a more tenable explanation of the phenomenon would have puzzled a chemist as much as an optician Gerstaecker tried in vain to bribe the wizard into a hint on the composition of his missiles and was not much luckier in Batavia where a Parsee juggler treated the Dutch residents to a novel matanza, or killing show in the circus of the old city bull ring

His victims were a number of worthless curs which their owners or captors had brought along with the distinct understanding that their entries would not survive the incidents of the performance With no weapon but a light stick (possibly a tube) some six feet long by an inch in diameter the performer entered the arena and then invited his patrons to start their pets one at a time A lank hound almost hairless with mange, opened the festivities by making a rush round the ring but stopped short on finding his way barred by the still lanker professor and retreated after displaying his few remaining teeth The necromancer held his staff at arm s length, still facing the dog who presently began to stagger and two minutes after had expired in convulsions A second cur managed to run the blockade by leaping over the extended staff but soon after began to show signs of distress and before the end of the third minute had shared the fate of his predecessor

A POST MORTEM INQUEST

Dog after dog entered the ring in quick succession some of them stopping in surprise and sniffing at the corpses of their doomed forerunners but all finally approached the possessor of the fatal secret, or even snapped at his naked shins, and not one of the thousand spectators saw him strike a direct blow or defend himself in any way suggesting a mechanical explanation of the uniform result He would merely lift his staff with a menacing gesture or permit a blockade runner to touch it in darting by, but in no instance was there occasion for repeating that touch The victims had hardly time to complete the circuit of the ring before their gait underwent a peculiar change they would drag themselves along and stagger or start as under a sudden blow then roll over and die in the convulsions characterizing the effects of certain virulent drugs They had evidently been poisoned but how?

A post mortem inquest failed to reveal as much as a scratch or a puncture A poisoned arrow could not have entirely disappeared while a gaseous poison would have betrayed itself by its odor or by its effects on the person of the performer After the conclusion of the matanza Mr Gerstaecker secured a private interview with the artist and in vain offered him a liberal inducement to explain the modus operandi of his trick The Parsee seemed bribe proof but at last took his tempter aside and in a whisper guaranteed the results of his professional assistance if Mynheer should wish to try the efficacy of his art by an experiment on a two legged subject—the amount of the proffered compensation having evidently suggested a conjecture that the enterprising foreigner was contemplating the removal of some obnoxious fellow biped —Felix W Oswald in The Cosmopolitan

Fumes That Are Dangerous

While an American mill was closed for repairs the long iron tube conducting the water from the canal to the turbine was painted with a mixture of benzine and asphaltum as a protection against rust While the work was in progress the superintendent passing by heard sounds of hilarity within which were not strictly in accordance with workmanlike conduct and on looking through the manhole saw the half dozen employes in boisterous mirth dancing around painting each other s faces and clothes On seeing the superintendent they invited him to come and be fixed Suspecting the cause of the unusual proceedings he summoned a larger force of men and much difficulty was experienced in removing the men although all were taken out the remainder were already in a state of partial stupor The open air revived them all but it was followed by a true blue Monday headache —Engineering

Sunday Photographic Plates

The rapid plate can now be prepared [illegible] light than ever [illegible] to the eye This permits the trouble to be recognized earlier than formerly —Chicago News

A SHOT AND A THRUST

Experience of a Confederate Picket—The Frenzy of Death

When we came to throw out pickets in front of our lines on the night after dealing the Federal army the hard blow at second Manassas, we were right among the dead and wounded We had won a victory and the bulk of the Federal army was making for the Potomac but there was a rear guard which fought sullenly and with a thirst for vengeance and along the front of my division the blue coats were alert and ready for any night attack It was about 9 o clock in the evening when my company was pushed out and to get the place assigned us we had to crawl on our hands and knees for the last 200 feet When I finally got settled in place it was at the base of a shade or fruit tree standing alone in an open field A ball or shell had struck the trunk of the tree and cut it in two and a portion of the top lay on the ground The Federal picket as I presently ascertained was about fifty steps distant from me and had the cover of a heap of rails I did not locate him until he fired upon me I do not think he knew of my presence, but rather mistrusted it and blazed away to draw me out

There were dead and wounded all about the tree I had crept over two dead bodies and two wounded men had begged me for water and although the evening was very dusky I could count at least ten bodies on my side of the tree I had come out with a full canteen knowing that the front was covered with wounded Close to me on my right was a Federal corporal belonging to a New York regiment He told me at the time the number of his regiment but I made no note of it He was shot in the right leg midway between the hip and the knee This happened two hours before dark and considerably nearer our lines and he managed to crawl twenty rods to get to the shelter of the tree It was only a flesh wound and could he have been taken into the lines that night he would have been fit for duty within thirty days Some men would have almost walked off with such a hurt as that but the poor fellow seemed knocked all to pieces and had quite lost his courage I was holding the canteen to his lips having raised his head and put a haversack under it when the Federal picket fired the shot The bullet crashed into the head of the wounded man, and with a sort of quiver he fell back dead

The incident upset me considerably, and being under orders not to fire a shot unless the enemy were advancing I hugged the ground at the foot of the tree and remained quiet Two more shots were fired at me, but they were aimed too high and went over I had been on duty about an hour when the pleadings of a wounded man about fifty feet to my left for water determined me to succor him He knew of my presence and talked directly to me saying that he was shot in both legs and had been lying there seven or eight hours I left my gun on the ground and started off on my hands and knees The corpse of a Federal lay directly in my way and I was just making a half circle around it when the supposed dead man scrambled up seized his musket, which lay beside him and whirled on me with a sort of scream You see it all came so suddenly that I was confused, and when he came at me I was still on my hands and knees and helpless He held the gun at "charge bayonets" and made an awful lunge at me The point of the bayonet passed through the back of my blouse, and the lunge pushed me over and the steel went into the ground almost to the muzzle of the gun I was thus pinned to the earth and the man let go of the musket and fell across me uttering a groan of pain as he came down

My position was such that I could not free myself for two or three minutes, and when I did the man was dead for sure He had probably been unconscious for a long time before the frenzy of death caused him to attack me in the singular manner he did So firmly was I pinned to the earth that I had to "skin" out of my blouse to get free and it took a stout twist at the butt of the musket to pull the bayonet out of the hard baked soil —"An Ex Rebel" in Detroit Free Press

Objections to the Profile

The pure profile picture by the way is a very rare thing A person can get a profile taken if he brings with him help enough to overpower the photographer but no camera man who has liberty will allow a sitter to pose for a profile picture The photographers seem as much set against that as against the full face The reason seems to be that if they succeed in getting the nose in focus the ear, which is some inches nearer the instrument, will be out of focus and will also be too large Now, nobody likes to have his nose made larger than it ought to be but he still more strongly objects to appear in a picture with his ear several sizes bigger than necessary In other words, a man hates to make an ass of himself, and objects to having the photographers write or print him down as one Doubtless photographers know this and so they object to the profile and make you turn your head a little this way, please until the nose is in the same focal field as the ear —Luke Sharp in Detroit Free Press

New England Hospitality

I shall never again say that Massachusetts people are not hospitable Not long ago I was driving along a country road just outside of Boston, and chanced to stop at a farmhouse to inquire my way An old woman came to the door, and, having given me the information I desired politely asked me in to have so she expressed it "a drink and a rock " By a drink I rather supposed she meant a glass of milk The rock was a luxury the nature of which was beyond imagining Satisfied however that it was something inviting I accepted the offer with thanks, and having tied my horse went inside My hostess thereupon requested me to be seated in her best rocking chair and poured me out a glass of water "Now" she said "you can have a drink and a rock and rest yourself as long as you like " Certainly this is the most inexpensive form of entertainment I have ever heard of It beats the 5 o clock tea all hollow —Boston Letter

The Stern Romans

Young Tommy who has gone to work manfully at Latin says he has no difficulty but having that the Romans were very stern with their children If they had been used to their children the way folks are now he says they wouldn t have had any accusative cases and ablatives and all those things —Boston Transcript

A visitor at a church in a big northern city whose members are almost all rich and aged and therefore conservative described it as the "Church of Retired Christians"

CONFEDERATE CADETS.

MILITARY INSTITUTE BOYS AT THE BATTLE OF NEW MARKET

A Virginia Academy Which Turned Out a Great Many Confederate Officers Heroic and Victorious Charge of Mere Boys—Rout of Federal Veterans.

When the civil war broke out there was an institution situated in Lexington Va which was at that time the only distinctively military academy in the south It had been organized in 1839 by the state of Virginia upon the basis of the closest possible resemblance to the United States Military academy at West Point and growing steadily in the public esteem it had sent out prior to the opening of the war 400 graduates When the great conflict became imminent and certain the superintendent of the Virginia military institute with the most of its officers among whom was the then unknown Maj Thomas J Jackson, resigned their academic positions and were assigned to duty in the provisional army of Virginia When the state seceded the sagacious eye of the president of the Confederacy foresaw the necessity that there should be kept in active operation some institution which should supply the southern armies with trained officers as was done for the Federal armies by West Point and the officers of the school were for the most part, ordered back and directed to reopen the institute Only one proof need be adduced as to the efficiency with which this appointed task was discharged by the school When the war closed one tenth of the Confederate armies had been under the command of pupils of the institute, embracing three major generals, thirty brigadier generals sixty colonels, fifty lieutenant colonels thirty majors, 125 captains and over 200 lieutenants

In 1864 the section of the valley of Virginia in which the institute was situated was threatened by the army of Gen Franz Sigel, and the superintendent of the institute was ordered by Gen Breckinridge, in command of the Valley district, to march the cadets to his assistance The corps embraced two hundred and fifty boys,and on the 12th of May, 1864, left Lexington with a section of artillery to act as a reserve for Gen Breckinridge, if possible to be used freely in battle, if necessary On Sunday the 15th May, the forces of Gen Breckinridge met the army of Gen Sigel, near the village of New Market The exigencies of the conflict soon convinced Gen Breckinridge that the cadets must be sent forward They were ordered to the front, and charging in superb order upon a Federal battery and its infantry support captured the battery and won the glory of the Federal defeat Of the two hundred and twenty five who made this charge fifty six fell dead or wounded This gallant charge by a battalion of mere boys has been made the theme of a most stirring and vivid sketch by the Hon John S Wise, of Virginia

A few weeks after the battle of New Market Dr Hunter McGuire formerly chief medical director of "Stonewall" Jackson's army corps and the surgeon who attended him after his fatal wound at Chancellorsville, made an official visit of inspection to the hospitals established in Harrisonburg Va , for the care of the wounded sent from the field of New Market Among the convalescent he found a United States colonel of volunteers who had been seriously injured in the recent fight Dr McGuire expressed to this officer his regret that the impoverished condition of the southern service and the total want of hospital stores had made it impossible to make the wounded prisoners more comfortable adding that the Confederate wounded were equally destitute The officer replied that he had received every needed attention and had been treated with marked kindness He then said in substance as follows

"Doctor I would hardly seem to be a fit object for congratulation wounded as I am and a prisoner yet I do congratulate myself that I was present at the battle of New Market You are surprised? I will explain myself I had before the war began been something of a reader, and especially interested in military history, and I had formed a very distinct conception of the manner in which disciplined troops might be expected to behave on the field of battle But in all my observation during the three years of the war I had seen nothing that corresponded with my expectations I had been with some of our best troops in battle, and I had seen the choicest Confederate troops On both sides I had witnessed the fighting of brave and heroic men, but nothing answering to my ideal of war I had never looked on the perfect union of morale and discipline until I saw it in that petty fight at New Market.

When that battle opened I was with my regiment in a strong position which I had selected for them behind the crest of a hill on the front side of which was the field of wheat through which the Cadet battalion charged I had made my men lie down and I do not think the Confederate troops knew we were there I saw the cadets form in line of battle and advance As soon as they moved forward the battery which my regiment was supporting opened on them with grape and canister They closed the gap torn in their ranks and came on touching elbow as if they were on drill and we practicing upon them with blank cartridges As they approached us we opened with musketry at close range but they came straight on In a moment I found myself on the ground with this wound When I raised myself up the cadet line was passing over the ground on which my regiment had stood My men were not cowards they were as good soldiers as any of our volunteer troops But one might as well have attempted to stop a bombshell with his bare hand as to arrest the charge of those regulars with my troops I am glad I was there, for then I saw war —James Henderson Smith in Philadelphia Times

Afraid of Electricity

Practical men seem to have a lingering distrust of electric motors Many of them admit that these motors will work but shake their heads and look dubious when asked why they do not use them They seem to feel that electricity is not yet understood and that there is an element of mystery about it that makes its work uncertain It is true that the ultimate nature of electricity is absolutely unknown

It is not true that its workings are not understood The electric motor is today in practical working shape It will do continuous hard work It may be started or stopped by a twist of the wrist It is the most efficient motor known There is no reason whatever, except public conservatism why power cannot be economically generated at a central station and economically distributed by electricity for practical manufacturing purposes —Power.

How the Air Brake Works

Say to the ordinary man of today I ll bet not one in a hundred of the people who travel on railroad trains understand how the pressure of air is used to apply the brakes to a train When the air brake was first invented the air was turned into the cylinder under each car when the car was to be stopped and the pressure was exerted to force the brakes up against the wheels But at the present day the brakes are held against the wheel by springs and the air is turned into the cylinders to push the brakes away from the wheels as long as the train is in motion When it is desired to stop the train the air is let out, and then the spring applies the brakes and stop the train This last method of using air pressure has great advantages over the old way on the score of safety

Whenever an accident happens to a train one of the first effects it is apt to have is to rupture the air pipes leading from the engine to the cylinders under the cars and that of itself stops the train instantly It is very important for everybody to understand this matter because a child 5 years old can stop a train in thirty seconds from any car in the train if he simply understands how You will see, if you look for it, that there is a sort of rope projecting from the toilet room of every car That connects with the air pipes under the train If you catch hold of it and give it a little jerk it will stop the train before it has gone 200 yards " —Chicago Journal

The Counting Machine in Russia.

I have been in four or five of the largest banks in Russia and many of the most extensive commercial and railroad houses and nowhere have I seen figuring done by pen or pencil like they do in America and England The Chinese counting machine seen occasionally in the hands of John and Jap in the United States, is everywhere If you buy a pair of socks for fifty kopecks and a handkerchief for seventy five kopecks the shopkeeper, even the brightest and oldest and most experienced, has to go to his machine to learn the result—one rouble twenty five kopecks I venture that there are not a dozen bankers in Russia who would attempt to discount any draft, or issue a letter of credit or change a ten rouble note into kopecks without pushing back and forward for some time the strings of colored buttons in his machine, indicating numerals But it is wonderful how adept some of them are in the use of the counting machine You may buy a bill of goods ever so large The salesman keeps the machine beside him, pushing out the numerals as the purchases are made, and the instant you call for your bill he repeats the total The Russians were taught most of their business knowledge by the Chinese and Turks and these counting machines are yet indispensable in all Oriental places of business —Moscow Cor New Orleans Times Democrat.

The Seal's Domestic Discipline

Travelers have often said that there seemed to be something human about the seal, and one story told here seems to give it confirmation It is about the breeding rookeries, where the seal pups are in the nursery, so to speak "It is certain," says Tingle, "that half the pups are born males and that pups equal to 90 per cent of cows on the rookeries go into the water —that is, exclusive of the young cows which come upon the rookeries for the first time to meet the males The estimated loss of 10 per cent is caused by bulls in preserving rigid discipline and administering necessary correction in the management of their domestic affairs Their idea of a female's duty does not admit of any little indiscretions, and at the slightest sign of deviation regardless of consequences they quickly pounce upon the offending female and shake her by the neck A number of pups are also lost by being washed off the rocks by the surf and drowned before they have learned to swim Fully one half the pups which go to sea in the fall return as yearlings the following spring the absent ones having furnished food for their natural enemies in the water —Boston Advertiser

As It Happened

A clock ticked merrily among the passengers on a Cass avenue car the other day, and one passenger after another looked up cheerfully and said

"That sounds good! Where is the ticker?"

No one seemed to know One little woman with her arms full of packages fidgeted and looked uncomfortable.

"That isn t a clock you hear" said a distraught, wild looking man who sat near the door "it's my heart you hear beating, gentlemen!"

Everybody looked at him sympathetically, when a man in the corner who had been reading a paper suddenly jumped up

"What's that drip, drip, over there? Be keerful, ma am, that lamp's leakin'! I kin smell kerosene!

At this moment the alarm in the clock went off and the man who had heart disease rushed out of the car and was seen running wildly down the sidewalk, while the little woman with the clock rang the bell and carried off the cause of the disturbance —Detroit Free Press

Lincoln Never Read a Novel.

While Edwin Forrest was playing an engagement at Ford's theatre, Mr Carpenter spoke to the president one day of the actor's fine interpretation of the character of Richelieu, and advised him to witness the performance The conversation occurred in the presence of Senator Harris, of New York "Who wrote the play?" asked the president of Mr Carpenter "Bulwer" was the reply "Ah!" he rejoined, "well, I knew Bulwer wrote novels, but I did not know he was a play writer also It may seem somewhat strange to say," he continued, "but I never read an entire novel in my life " Said Judge Harris "Is it possible?" "Yes" returned the president, "it is a fact I once commenced 'Ivanhoe' but never finished it "

Folding Barrels

Barrels are made in Jersey for the use of the channel island farmers which will fold up when empty and thus, having been sent to market can be packed into a small space on the return The staves are fixed upon the hoops so that, the heads being removed they may be rolled up They are made perfect cylinders, and therefore occupy less space for the same capacity than ordinary barrels —Dress

Bayard and His Daughter

Secretary Bayard by the way, is looking remarkably well and his daughter Mamie will I understand, be the head of his household this winter There is nothing in the story I am assured at the state department of his engagement to Miss Markoe and he was too ardent and loving a husband to so soon take unto himself a new wife Carpenter s Washington Letter

THE SMALL BOY

A Youngster Who Mixed Up Cards with His Prayers

A 4-year-old boy in this city was amusing himself one recent evening by imitating his father and mother who were playing euchre The child held a pack of cards and would lay a card on the floor every time his mother laid one on the table, and would say "I pass" etc , when he did Bed time came, and with it the usual evening prayer with the commonplace ending but this time the youngster wound up thus "God bless papa mamma and baby—I pass—clubs trumps Amen!"—New York World.

A Far Sighted Boy

A 4-year-old boy was taken to the window a few mornings since and shown the bright planet of the morning sky, which was shining with remarkable brightness through an exceptionally clear atmosphere He was told that it was Venus and admired it greatly At the breakfast table he related the experience with great animation

"I saw a big star " he said "its name was Peanuts, and it was pointed at both ends "

As the form of the planet is that of a sharp pointed crescent it is evident that that boy s eyes are much better to be trusted than his ears —Boston Transcript

The Soul of Candor

A Sunday school teacher began his questioning at the end of the old year with the query "Are you better than you were last year?" A good many of the little fellows had replied "Yes sir" but a creamy boy on the back seat had the courage of his convictions "I hain t no better nor I ever wuz, he said "but," he added by way of softening the harsh statement "I got a sorest froat of anybody in this class—I—I—I—most got dipferia."—Youth s Companion.

A Reflection Upon the Teacher

A little boy and his sister came home from the closing exercises of one of the public schools the other day The certificates for regular attendance and good conduct had been distributed, and the girl was the proud recipient of one of them but her brother had failed to qualify "Didn t you get a certificate, Tommy?" their mother asked "No'm," was the reply "but I would have got one if there had been enough to go round. —Toronto Globe.

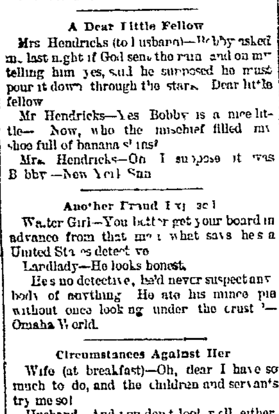
The "Cake" We All Sigh For

"Mamma " said little Willie, after returning from a dinner to which he had been invited "I allus kinder thought that cake was just cake but I see there s a difference in it Aunt Susan s cake is cake an pie an puddin' an' peaches an' ice cream an everything good together, but yours is nothin but cake "—Elmira Tidings

Harry s Definition

I have a little boy, Harry, aged 4. Election day he asked me what papa was going to vote for I told him for the mayor His sister asked me who the mayor was. "Well, he said "girls don t know noffin it is a girl boss, of course —Boston Globe

A Talk with a Bostonian



The curious effect it has.—Life

A Dear Little Fellow

Mrs Hendricks (to husband)—Bobby asked me last night if God sent the rain and on my telling him yes, said he supposed he must pour it down through the stars. Dear little fellow

Mr Hendricks—Yes Bobby is a nice little— Now, who the mischief filled my shoe full of banana skins?

Mrs. Hendricks—Oh I suppose it was Bobby —New York Sun

Another Fraud Exposed

Waiter Girl—You better get your board in advance from that man what says he s a United States detective

Landlady—He looks honest.

He s no detective, he'd never suspect anybody of anything He ate his mince pie without once looking under the crust "—Omaha World.

Circumstances Against Her

Wife (at breakfast)—Oh, dear I have so much to do, and the children and servant's try me so!

Husband—And you don t look well, either, my dear

Wife—No but when there is nothing but turmoil and confusion, and one is expected to look after everything, what possible pleasure is there in being sick?—New York Sun

A Slight Mistake

First Scientist—Eh What did you say?

Second Scientist—I said nothing A couple of horses attached to a big wagon loaded with stone just ran away, and dashed into that stone quarry up there

"Oh, that was it I thought you spoke to me in volapuk. —Omaha World

What He Had Found.

I heard a good story the other day on a freshman in one of our New England colleges On being asked by his professor when and on what occasion the term "Eureka" was first used, he replied "Demosthenes, when he sat down on the pin for which he was hunting "—Boston Record

Not the Solitary Oyster

At the church sociable Vivacious young lady—Guess what we are going to have tonight, Mrs Bascom —charades!

Mrs Bascom—I knowed it! I smelt em clear out to the gate —Burlington Free Press

A Parting Injunction

Traveling Salesman (to employer)—Well I'm off Mr Smith Good by!

Employer—Good by and a successful trip And remember Mr Blowhard that order is heaven's first law —New York Sun

An Explanation

"See here waiter how is it that I find a trouser button in this salad?"

"Dat am a part of de dressin' sah."—Life.

Her Life Was Saved

C F Ballard Druggist, of Vassar Mich , says — "Mrs F H Pratt, living about two miles from here, was very sick with Consumption and given up to die I persuaded her to take Acker's English Remedy,' and in a very short time her lungs healed, all soreness went away, and to use her own expression, 'My life was saved or I owe my life to Acker's English Remedy ' " This medicine is a positive cure for all throat and lung troubles colds croup, whooping cough and asthma Sold on a positive guarantee by L Denison & Co , druggists

A big cocking main between Dayton and Springfield birds occurred near Osborn Springfield won six out of nine battles but lost all the money by betting at the wrong time Over $1000 changed hands

H R Campbell, of Ripley who was indicted for the murder of Marshal Ed Whitaker of Georgetown, was brought into court and pleaded guilty to murder in the second degree without trial

A team of horses belonging to John Hummelwright of Wadsworth was precipitated over a steep bank and one had a lower jaw broken and the other its back They were valued at $500 The owner also went over and had his shoulder and two ribs broken

While a red chair soldier surprise party was in progress at the home of William R Park on the Henry M Lehman farm, on the Hardin pike, two miles west of Sidney, an alarm of fire was given and in spite of the efforts of the family and 100 guests present the building was burned with all the contents of the upper story There was no insurance

A Man Who Dyes to Live

There is in Tacoma W T , a man who dyes to live and lives to dye, and the more he dyes the better he lives This man writes to say — For the past two years I have been a perfect martyr to dyspepsia—all the food I would take into my stomach turned my insides into a boiling cauldron of acid, generating pains and discomfort throughout my system I have tried all kinds of remedies, and the only unfailing one I ever found is Acker s Dyspepsia Tablets I am glad to recommend these to all who suffer from this dread complaint, because I am sure they will give relief W D ROBERTSON Tacoma Steam Dye Works "

Sold by L Denison & Co , druggists

John Webber, a tramp, was brought to Xenia and jailed on a charge of highway robbery He throttled a ten year old boy named Johnnie Stine on his way home from the village of Zimmermanville and nearly choked the boy to death in robbing him of a knife and some change Constable Jacob Stewart chased the villain into the woods with a gun and captured him He is from Kenton and is just out from a seven year term on the Reform farm

Entire force of court house officials at Warren subpoenaed to Ashtabula county to testify why Lewie Webster was never tried for shooting with intent to kill Mrs Harrington

What a Blessing to Mothers

Acker s Baby Soother differs from all baby syrups or cordials It contains no laudanum, opium or morphine in any part of its composition It is harmless but soothing and positive in its action It lulls the child into quiet repose and upon awakening it is refreshed, vigorous and natural It is the only safe medicine yet made that will remove all infantile disorders Sold at 25 cents, by L Denison & Co , druggists

A GRAND LADDER
THE PROPERTY OF
JOHN H. STOLL.

PUBLIC OPINION.

Firmly Built of the Best Materials—It Shall Stand as the Rocks

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The Aim is Lofty, but the Foundation is Sure—No Letting Down

Bed Rock

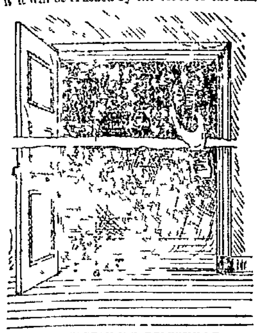
This is the LADDER on which
John H. Stoll,
—THE POPULAR—
BOOT AND SHOE MAN
Is surmounting to the Pinnacle
of Commercial Success
It stands on Bed Rock it rests on Public
Opinion You can see it in use at
EAST SIDE SOUTH MAIN STREET
SIGN OF THE BIG RED BOOT.

SCIENCE AND PROGRESS.

A SELF WORKING SAFETY GATE FOR ELEVATED RAILROADS

The Destructive Influence of Snow Upon Marble Explained —An Interesting Experiment Showing the Action of Gravity on Light and Heavy Bodies

Take a sharp pointed knife with a heavy handle and press it lightly into the wood work of the frame of a door. By striking the frame a sharp blow with the fist, the jar will [illegible] the knife, which will fall perpendicularly to the floor, and if a walnut shell or other soft body is placed directly beneath it it will be crushed by the force of the fall.



AN ENTERTAINING EXPERIMENT

Previous to placing the nutshell in position the handle of the knife should be inserted in a glass of water (see cut), when the falling drop of water on the floor will indicate the exact spot where the nutshell should be placed.

This experiment, explains Nature, also illustrates the principle of inertia, as the blow upon the framework of the door simply dislodges the knife before any motion is transmitted to it, as is proved by the fact that the knife drops perpendicularly in the same line as the drop of water falling from the handle. It also shows that light and heavy bodies both move in the same direction when acted upon by gravity.

Effects of Snow on Marble

The results of the examination of snow taken from different places in Munich and its neighborhood, by Mr Sendtner, would seem to indicate not only that snow has a considerable faculty for absorbing sulphurous acid from the atmosphere but that the absorption goes on continuously for some time. Mr Sendtner ascertained that, on one day when snow fell sulphurous and sulphuric acids were present in it in fairly equal portions but on the second day almost all the sulphurous acid had been ozonized to sulphuric acid. In the vicinity of chimneys and gas works the absorption would, of course be greater. This great absorptive power toward sulphurous and sulphuric acids is considered of practical interest, as explaining the destructive influence of snow upon marble.

Capacity of Pumps

To find (approximately) the amount of water a pump will move per minute, assuming a hundred feet piston speed as the standard, says Popular Science News, square the diameter of the water cylinders and divide by four, and inversely to find the size of a pump to perform a required duty in gallons divide the number of gallons by four, and extract the square root of the quotient. The result is the diameter of water cylinder required.

Black on Green

Several of the French railway companies, and other public bodies have resolved on having their printing done on green instead of white paper. The reason for the alteration is that they believe the combination of white paper with black characters endangers the eyesight of their workpeople. Black on green has always been recognized as a good combination and many railway tickets are so printed.

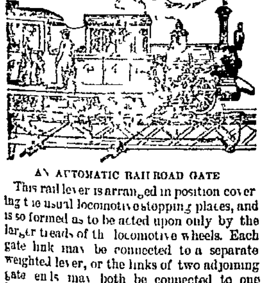
To Make Hektograph Ink

Following is a simple formula for making hectograph ink, purple blue and black. Take one part aniline of desired color, dissolve in about seven parts water and add one part glycerine.

An Automatic Railroad Gate.

A gate which is designed to be self opening and self closing with the movement of the cars on and off the track at station, and which is more especially designed for use on elevated railroads is shown in the accompanying cut. Scientific American explains it as follows:

On the platform supports are secured a number of girders, which extend up to the outer edge of the platform, a vertically sliding gate being held between each two succeeding girders. These gates are connected at each end by a link with a weighted lever fulcrumed on a post or on a bracket secured either to the track posts or to the platform supports. From the fulcrum of each weighted lever extends an arm pivotally connected with a rod arranged horizontally along the platform, the outer end of the rod being pivotally connected with one arm of a bell crank lever pivoted to one of the track posts, and connected at its other arm by a link with the free end of a rail lever held alongside of one of the rails of the track.



AN AUTOMATIC RAILROAD GATE

This rail lever is arranged in position covering the usual locomotive stopping places, and is so formed as to be acted upon only by the larger treads of the locomotive wheels. Each gate link may be connected to a separate weighted lever, or the links of two adjoining gate ends may both be connected to one lever. The weights of the levers are so arranged that the levers hold the gates in a closed position and also hold the rail lever slightly extending above the rails of the track. When a train moves up to the station the treads of the front locomotive wheels press the rail lever downward, swinging the bell crank lever and drawing the horizontal rod forward so that the weighted levers are swung to draw down the gates until the top edge of each is flush with the top of the platform, thus permitting passengers to pass from the platform into the cars, or vice versa, in the usual manner. As soon as the train starts to leave the station and the treads of the locomotive wheels move off the rail lever, the gates move upward vertically again by the action of the weights of the levers, and the station platform is closed on its track side.

ALL APOUND THE HOUSE.

Novelties in Fine Glass—New England Brown Bread and Baked Beans

Something quite new in glass is a fruit stand for the center of the table. Home Decoration describes it as of porcelain finish and a delicate pale pink in color. It consists of a round flat dish, fluted, out of the center of which springs a column, supporting a similar dish, rather smaller, surmounted by a fairy lamp. Four single flat dishes, fluted, each supporting a fairy lamp, with pink shade, belong to this set.

Novelties in cut glass are dessert sets of four oval dishes, strawberry diamond cutting, each dish set in a frame work of silver delicately wrought. The framework consists of a narrow chased rim, on which the bottom of the dish rests, elevated by four griffins feet with bands curving outward to the upper edge of the dish, and ending there in griffins heads. The open mouths hold silver chains of exquisite workmanship, which hang in festoons from one head to the other.

Two Genuine New England Dishes.

A New England housewife pronounces Mrs Cleveland's brown bread recipe to be undoubtedly very nice, but not the article Yankees demand, and she proceeds to give the following genuine New England recipes.

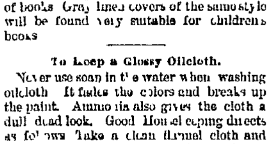
In the first place, brown bread, like cake, is much more tender and exceedingly lighter when stirred with a knife instead of a spoon. A broad bladed knife is the better. And to be thoroughly enjoyed, brown bread must be accompanied with brown baked beans.

Brown Bread—One quart of corn meal, one pint of rye meal, one quart of sweet milk, one teaspoonful of soda, one teaspoonful of salt, one coffee cup full of molasses. Mix the corn and rye meal thoroughly together, add the milk and salt, stir the soda into the molasses until it foams, then stir all together with a knife. Put the mixture into a regular brown bread dish, being careful to grease it well. Steam at least nine hours, then bake in a moderately heated oven one hour.

Baked Beans—Soak one quart of medium sized white beans in lukewarm water over night. In the morning boil them until the outer skin cracks, then drain them and rinse thoroughly in cold water. Put them in a regular bean pot, wash and scrape one pound of salt pork, cut the rind into squares and place on top of the beans. Add one teaspoonful of salt, half a teaspoonful of soda, and cover the whole with cold water. Bake nine hours in a moderately heated oven.

A Convenient Book Cover.

It is often desirable to preserve handsomely bound books from the moisture of the hands while being read, and the adjustable cover shown in the cut is designed for this purpose.



ADJUSTABLE BOOK COVER

A piece of velvet or satin is cut the required size. The edges are neatly and tightly turned and cut, and are feather stitched or sewed by machine, as suits the fancy, eyelet holes are made and a ribbon passed through and tied to hold the cover in position. On the outside of the cover may be worked imitation of hinges in cross stitch and in the middle of the upper side a monogram. A cover made after this design is adjustable to many sizes of books. Gray linen covers of the same style will be found very suitable for childrens books.

To Keep a Glossy Oilcloth.

Never use soap in the water when washing oilcloth. It fades the colors and breaks up the paint. Ammonia also gives the cloth a dull dead look. Good Housekeeping directs as follows: Take a clean flannel cloth and apply clean, warm water, which is finally to be removed by soaking it up into the wash ing cloth again, after it has been wrung out. The oilcloth is then wiped dry with another piece of clean flannel or coarse crash. After the oilcloth has become thoroughly dry apply to it some warm linseed oil. The housekeeper who tries this for the first time will probably use too much and make the cloth so sticky that every particle of dust will adhere to it. Only a very little is to be used, and slightly rubbed into the cloth, giving it a handsome gloss. The linseed oil will do more harm than good, unless used as sparingly as indicated. In the country skim milk is used in place of oil, and it gives the cloth a beautiful gloss.

Plush Covered Bracket

Nothing shows off a handsome piece of china or bisque to better advantage than a background of rich, dark plush. Therefore the following is a very good way to display treasures of this kind. Have made a bracket of common pine wood three-eighths thick, in separate pieces—back, shelf and shelf bracket. Let it be perfectly plain, but of graceful outline, with the shelf set low enough so that the back of the bracket will project above the object or objects to be placed on the shelf. This bracket is to be covered with fine plush. But before covering put the different parts of the bracket together with screws. Then take them apart and cover each with plush, after which they can easily be put together again.

Sponge Cake Good a Week Old

Beat four eggs all together till very light. Add two cups of sugar, beat well, add slowly two thirds of a cup of boiling water, two and one-half cups of flour, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, a little salt and extract. The boiling water makes it moist and tender. Bake in a sheet one-half hour by a slow fire. If wrapped in a cloth it will be better the third day than the first. Another thing in its favor is, it is so easily made.

How to Bake Fruit Cakes.

The whole secret of making rich cakes, says Catherine Owen, lies in the baking. The oven must be very slow (220 degs by the thermometer). They must not be shaken, but turned very gently, and, when taken from the oven, allowed to remain till cool before they are removed from the pan.

A Good Way to Cook Squash

Cut a small Hubbard squash in five or six pieces, remove the seeds and wash. Put into a dripping pan with just enough water to keep from burning and bake till tender. Remove from the shell, mash fine, season with butter, pepper and salt, add one teacupful of sweet milk. Serve hot.

Flatting in Interior Decoration

"Flatting" or painting in flat color is favored by decorators for inside work. This consists in replacing the greater part of the oil generally used with spirits of turpentine. Only as much oil as is needed to bind the paint and fix it on the ground—a third or fourth part—is used.

WHAT SHALL WE WEAR?

A BECOMING CAP OF RIBBON AND LACE FOR AN ELDERLY LADY

Present Fashions in the Doll World, Where the French Bisque Manikins Lead as Aristocrats—Imported Toilets for Opera and Evening Wear

From the Paris an world come many novelties and our ladies may be prepared for extravagances both in toilets and in hair dressing. Counted with the latter is the high coiffure with the hair combed quite off the forehead, an unbecoming style to ladies who are not the possessors of a pretty, delicately shaped head.

TOILETS SEEN AT THE OPERA

Curls, which have had a long banishment, are again coming to the foreground. These will be mostly worn with train costumes, while the short coiffure will accompany lightly draped round skirts.

For looping up the drapery of these dresses special ribbons are prepared. These are embroidered with gold, silver, filagree or spangles, and have a bewitching effect when worn with sea green, pale blue or delicate pink material. One of the newest creations of fashion is a bodice intended for ball room wear uniting the half high and low in a very pretty style. The low bodice seems to be made of flowers or light pinked silk ruchings, and the bodice proper goes over the shoulders in two drapings. The draped bodice will play an important part both for ball and evening dress. It is made of very soft silk, crape or similar clinging material. Fashion has also introduced some wonderfully beautiful embroideries for theatre toilets. These will be worn in long stripes down the skirts of dresses, and also form the peasant bodices ornamented with tulle chemisettes, likewise embroidered with beads, spangles and even colored gems. Imagine to these toilets a diamond wing daintily placed between the curls and puffs of an elaborate coiffure, and thus complete the picture of really royal magnificence. Other opera dresses are made of silk splendidly brocaded with gold. The ornaments to them are in Egyptian style and include necklace and hair aigrette. In the cut are given two elegant evening toilets with coiffures that can hardly fail to suit most faces.

Fashions in Dolls

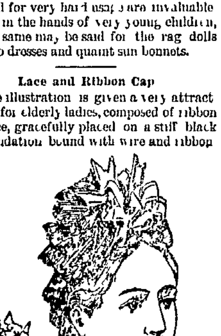
The French bisque doll with kid covered, supple jointed body, is the aristocrat among dolls. This season it is permissible to introduce into the doll world both blondes and brunettes as best suits the taste of the little folks, for whose delight they are produced. The French dolls are dressed, sometimes as infants in arms, and sometimes as grown up ladies. In both instances their toilets are copies of the gowns, bonnets, etc, worn by real babies and real ladies.

Novelties this season are Russian dolls of all sizes, with typical features and high color, dressed in embroidered Russian blouses of white muslin, and gayly embroidered aprons worn over a skirt of red or yellow satin. The hair hangs in a long plait behind, tied with ribbons, and jewels and beads are on the front hair. Other Russian dolls wear satin headdresses wrought with jewels and sequins of gilt are on their aprons of lace. Russian boy dolls wear a black velvet coat opening over a light satin vest gay with gilt braid, short velvet trousers, high boots and a high velvet hat with feathers.

Then there are German dolls with blue eyes and flaxen hair, and Japanese dolls with queer little eyes, decked out in decorative Japanese gowns. The indestructible dolls designed for very hard usage are invaluable as toys, in the hands of very young children, and the same may be said for the rag dolls in calico dresses and quaint sun bonnets.

Lace and Ribbon Cap

In the illustration is given a very attractive cap for elderly ladies, composed of ribbon and lace, gracefully placed on a stiff black net foundation bound with wire and ribbon.



CAP FOR ELDERLY LADY

Two lengths of black lace, each seventy one inches long and five inches wide, set foot to foot, form the lappets, covering at the same time the back part of the foundation, and caught together below. Two pieces, cut twenty nine inches long, gathered foot to foot, and four bows alternately of pale lilac and light green ribbon, give the trimming over the forehead. Similar bows are set on to the lappets, which are tied under the chin. The small figure at one side shows the form of the cap when off the head.

Small Mantles

In addition to long mantles or paletots which almost cover the whole dress smaller mantelets are also much worn and hold their own in the fashionable world. They are short at the back, have long shawl ends in front, and are an elegant completion of a visiting toilet. The mantle in our illustration is black velvet trimmed with Spanish lace and jet drops. A silk ribbon trimming goes from the waist at the back in form of a V over each shoulder, and so down the front of the mantle. Sleeve only reaches to the elbow, round which the fringe falls.

PHYSIOLOGY AND HYGIENE

Safe and Painless Surgery of the Present Fallacies Contradicted

Anaesthetics have rendered even grave surgical operations almost painless and other modern improvements have rendered them comparatively safe. Changes in surgical methods within a single decade amount almost to a revolution, and it is important that this should be understood, for patients from a fear that was once very reasonable, are liable to put off operations until too late.

There used to be a great and ever present danger of suppuration and consequent blood poisoning. Suppuration was looked on as inevitable. But science now shows that no suppuration is possible unless the germs of it are introduced from without. The germs were formerly introduced with the hand of the operator, or those of his assistants, or by his instruments, his threads, his sponges, his plasters or his bandages, or they floated in with the infected air, with which every hospital was specially charged.

Now it is known that various solutions destroy all such germs. The operating room is therefore kept disinfected. So are the surgeons and attendants, especially their hands and nails. Instruments and sponges are taken, at using, directly from the carbolic solution. Plasters and bandages, and all ligatures for tying blood vessels or sewing up wounds, are rendered aseptic. The skin of the patient is scrubbed with soap and water, and the parts adjacent to the wound covered with disinfecting towels.

According to medical authority, the wound is now dressed with no expectation that fever will arise or that suppuration will occur, or that the dressing will require renewal. The patient eats and sleeps well from the first, and the surgeon removes the dressing only to find the wound united, and this, too, though the largest wounds are fully sewed up, and without drainage tubes.

Wholesomeness of Canned Fruits

According to Popular Science, Mr T P White gives, in a communication to the Chemical society, a decidedly negative answer to the question whether the acids of canned fruits may not form poisonous salts with the tin. He reports, as the result of his experiment, that "tin is entirely devoid of danger, when taken internally, in any form that might arise from being in contact with fruit or vegetables." He believes that the cases of accidental poisoning were due to solder or other impurities—arsenic, copper or lead. Professor W Matthieu Williams says that there need be no lead in the solder, that it is only put in for cheapness' sake, and that tin makes a superior solder for an alloy. Therefore, all danger may be obviated by prohibiting the use of any other solder than pure tin.

Chewing Gum Condemned

A St Louis physician denounces the idea that chewing gum is an aid to digestion. Any well informed physiologist, he says, will deny this at once. Chewing gum produces a flow of saliva into the stomach at a time when it is not needed by that organ. The saliva burdens the stomach, and forces it to abnormal action to get rid of it, and at the same time the salivary glands are robbed of the secretion and obliged to do double work to produce the saliva necessary for mastication and digestion. So far as the stomach is concerned chewing gum is as injurious as chewing tobacco.

To Soften and Whiten the Hands.

To overcome the roughening effect of keeping the hands much in water, especially where the water is hard, dogskin or prepared French gloves are worn at night. Glycerine and rosewater, cold cream and washing with almond powder, are also resorted to for beautifying the hands.

Mental Overwork.

If a student, young or old dreams or talks of his studies in his or her sleep it is time to call a halt. Turn the attention to something else and diminish the hours of mental application. If you don't an enervated system and a weakened intellect will be the inevitable result.

A Safe Mustard Plaster

It is claimed that if mustard be mixed with the white of an egg, instead of water a plaster may be made which will draw thoroughly without blistering.

One Thing and Another.

Take cod liver oil in tomato catsup.

Snuff powdered borax or alum to clear the head in catarrh or catarrhal cold.

To remove warts rub with lemon juice several times a day.

When you have occasion to use cloths wet in hot water about an invalid, try steaming them and thus avoid the difficult task of wringing them out in hot water.

When the purity of water is suspected, and no other can be obtained, it should be boiled before using it.

SOCIAL ETIQUETTE

Manners and Customs Practiced in Polite Society

The toothpick, when used with discretion, at proper times and in proper places, is an unobjectionable little instrument. Its occasional employment is necessary, as a rule, to cleanliness and the preservation of the teeth. So also is the tooth brush. This adjunct of the toilet is, however, never used in public. The person who, after partaking of a meal should proceed to publicly use his tooth brush, would speedily find himself banished from decent society. Yet such action would be less objectionable to witness than the service to which some people who pretend to refinement and culture, put the toothpick. There is but one place in which it may be rightly used—the dressing room—and no person who has the slightest consideration for the feelings of others will handle it anywhere else.

It would seem unnecessary to make such statements as the foregoing, and yet the use of the toothpick has reached proportions that strike the foreign visitor with astonishment and disgust, and make the lives of many of our citizens anything but agreeable.

In no other country, it is said, have tooth picks been publicly used in private houses or in the presence of women. An English woman or a French woman of the better class not only never dreams of using a toothpick before people but she considers it something that it is more pleasant not even to mention.

Points in Social Usages

Never whisper in company. Never talk to one person across another, nor allow a servant to pass things in front of a person at table.

Send your visiting card in an envelope to the hostess at the time of a reception but do not send regrets.

It is customary to take leave of your hostess at an afternoon reception unless the crowd is too great.

The gentleman's family call upon his fiancee as soon as an engagement is made known.

A Prince Albert frock represents a dress coat for daytime. The swallow tail is never worn by day, it is exclusively the evening dress coat.

YOUNG FOLKS COLUMN

HOW JAPANESE CHILDREN PLAY AT BLINDMAN'S BUFF

A Small Boy Gives Expression to Opinions Concerning the Cat—A Little Story About a Little Girl, a Donkey and a Turkey.

A little girl, 7 years of age, tells the following adventure in St Nicholas: I went with my parents to a friend's house to spend Thanksgiving. We arrived two days before Thanksgiving. I had great fun as I learned to ride a pretty little donkey. He was named Saffo, and he was so gentle that he would let you pull his ears. The farmer was a kind man and I asked him if he was going to get a turkey for Thanksgiving dinner. He said "Now I'll tell you what I'll do. If you will take Saffo and ride over the bridge to the barn yard and count the turkeys you see there I'll give you one for Thanksgiving, but you must count every turkey there is."

"HE WOULDN'T LET US PASS HIM AT ALL"

So papa put me on Saffo and I started to count the turkeys in the barn yard. I know how to count up as high as 10. But when we came to the bridge Saffo and I got such a fright. A monstrous bird, making more noise than he could, came running to meet us, and he stopped right on the bridge, as mad as he could be, and his tail and all his feathers stuck out, and he wouldn't let us pass him at all. He was awful. So we had to turn back and gallop as fast as we could. I knew what he was, because his noise sounded like "gobble, gobble, gobble!"

Well, the farmer would have laughed at us for being afraid to cross the bridge to the barn yard, so I told him I only counted one and he needn't mind about having turkey for Thanksgiving. But he said he would see about it. And what do you think? We did have one, all the same, when the day came, and doughnuts and mince pie afterward.

I was sorry for any poor bird to be roasted but I think that turkeys are a great deal too fierce when they are not cooked.

Blind Man's Buff in Japan

Some of the Japanese games are quite original others are astonishingly like our own. In a recent number of Wide Awake appeared the following description of blind man's buff, as played by some Japanese children.

JAPANESE CHILDREN AT PLAY

The five Japanese boys playing blind man's buff are named, beginning with the little fellow near the tree, Totsan, Kin, Yato, Kats and Metz. Totsan is not more than 6 years old, as shown by the cut of his hair, similar to that of Yato and Kats. He is dressed in a nice little silk komono, or gown, of checked blue and black, lined with red silk and girded in with a sash or obi of red silk. Kin is at least 7 years old, for he has two little pigtails on his head. His komono is either tucked up or has been laid aside. His silk dress is red, figured in white, and lined with deep blue. On his feet are pretty straw sandals held on by a soft band passing between the great toe and the next, and across the foot. Yato's flowing silk robe, checked in black and white and lined with crimson, has just been laid hold upon by the tiny claws of Kats the "blind man." The oldest boy is Metz: his tonsure shows him to be over 8. He is trying to divert Kats from Yato by clapping his hands but probably in one minute Yato will have the kerchief over his eyes. Metz has the finest dress of all: it is of lilac silk with white flowers embroidered on it, and lined with figured silk in scarlet and gold.

Composition About a Cat

Following is the composition written by a small boy on the cat:

The cat is a curious animal, it has four feet and also four legs. Its head is at one end of its body, and its tail is at the other. When it walks its head goes before and its tail follows along behind. Its front feet walks before and its hind feet walk along behind. It is not good for a cat to tie a bunch of firecrackers to its tail. Cats can climb trees, dogs can't. That is lucky for cat. When a dog gets after them they can climb a tree, where they can sass back without getting hurt. You can't hit a cat. Once I threw a boot and I hit an old rooster. The old rooster he died, but the cat didn't.

A Classical Riddle

"What is that animal which walks on four legs in the morning, on two legs at noon and on three legs in the evening?"

This is the famous classical riddle which the sphynx is said to have propounded in olden times, devouring those who failed to solve the problem. Following is the answer:

"Man. In the morning of life the child crawls on all fours, later, he walks erect and in the evening of life, he supports his tottering steps with a staff."

Origin of a Common Expression

The common expression "Mind your p's and q's," had its origin in the ale houses in the olden time, when it was customary to keep each man's account upon the wall or door. At the head of the bill would be the initials P and Q which stood for pints and quarts, and as the numbers mounted up we can imagine one kindly rustic saying to another, "Mind your p's and q's, man, mind your ps and q's."

The latest carriage wraps are a graceful combination of dolman and paletot trimmed with the soft fluffy furs of fashion.

THE CURIOSITY SHOP

Irish High Kings—A Number of Sovereigns Lived Before the Conquest

[illegible] ever heard prior to the Saxon [illegible] that of Great Britain before [illegible] without historical [illegible] This is not a genuine [illegible] mainly a tradition [illegible] have tried a [illegible] most ingenious and plausible fairy stories, referring them to tradition, not only carrying the list of kings in unbroken succession back to the flood but making the island the center and Garden of Eden and the center from which all law and civilization spread to all the world after the deluge and down to Strongbow. According to the most careful and dispassionate research there is nothing to show that one king ever held [illegible] over all Ireland, or that the people were sufficiently organized for such a government. Four (and perhaps [illegible]) kings preceding the conquest were recognized [illegible] claimed the title, but the sovereignty was such as the sultan exercises over Morocco or Bulgaria or the pope over Europe—a mere matter of form, a shadow without much substance.

Facts About the Bible

The number of letters in the Bible is 586,[illegible] words 773,[illegible] verses, 31,[illegible] chapters, 1,189 [illegible]. The longest book in the Old Testament is Psalms, it having 150 chapters; the shortest is Obadiah, it having but one chapter or only twenty one verses. The longest books in the New Testament are Matthew and the Acts each of which consists of twenty eight chapters, although Luke contains more verses and words. Third John is the shortest, containing one chapter of fourteen verses and [illegible] words. The longest chapter in the Old Testament is the 119th Psalm, which contains 176 verses. The shortest chapter is the 117th Psalm, it contains but two verses. The longest chapter in the New Testament is the first chapter of Luke, it contains eighty verses; the shortest is I John, first chapter, it contains ten verses. The longest verse in the Old Testament is the ninth verse of the eighth chapter of Esther, it contains ninety words composed of 4[illegible]0 letters; the shortest verse is the twenty fifth verse of the first chapter of I Chronicles, consisting of twelve letters and three words. The middle verse is the eighth verse of the 118th Psalm. The nineteenth chapter of II Kings and thirty seventh chapter of Isaiah read alike. The 8th, 15th, 21st and 31st verses of the 107th Psalm are alike. The book of Job is the oldest book in the Bible, and the 21st verse of the 7th chapter of Ezra contains all the letters of the alphabet with the exception of j. The 35th verse 11th chapter, of St. John, is the shortest in the Bible.

Rag, Tag and Bobtail

This is probably an old hunting expression to signify a herd of deer. In Prescott's "Philip the Second," quoted by Strype and Holingshead, is the following: "They hunted the deer, and were so greedy of their destruction that they killed them rag and tag, with hands and swords." The word tagg, or tag signifies according to Bailey, "a doe in the second year of her age." Rag is defined by the same writer as "a herd of young colts," but older authors have ragg to signify a herd of deer at rutting time. Bobtail means a fawn just after it has been weaned. Tag and bobtail are used in the same sense when speaking of sheep, but rag does not seem to be known in this connection. The complete original sense of the phrase "tag rag and bobtail" seems to have been a collection of sheep or deer, of all sorts mixed indiscriminately.

A Long Road That Has Many Turns

The Union Pacific railroad, proper, extends from Council Bluffs, Ia, to Ogden, U T. It has a length (with its branches) of 1,831 9 miles. The longest main or trunk line in the world is that of the Canadian Pacific, from Quebec to Port Moody, a distance of 3,0[illegible] miles. Counting its branches it is 3,991 miles in length. The Union Pacific railroad company controls 5,0[illegible]7 miles of railroad, the greatest length of line under the control of one company. The Northern Pacific, from Superior, Wis to Walulla Junction, W T, is [illegible]61 miles long. The Chicago and Northwestern owns and operates 3,765 25 miles.

The Purchase of Oregon

The entire region west of the Rocky mountains extending north from Mexico to the British possessions, and bounded on the east by the Louisiana purchase, was long known as Oregon. It was ceded to the United States by Spain in 1819, a clause in the treaty ceding Florida relinquishing all her "rights, claims and pretensions" to such territory. The dispute between the United States and Great Britain concerning the northern boundary of Oregon came near resulting in a war. Many of the school maps are wrong. The Louisiana purchase was bounded on the west by the Rockies.

How Presidential Electors are Chosen.

Up to 1828 all presidential electors were appointed. From 1824 to 1868, some were appointed and others chosen by the people. Omitting the election of 1864, when electors were not chosen in eleven states the first election at which all the electors were voted for by the people was in 1872. In 1876 the old rule obtained and the election of 1880 was the second time. The last election (1884) was the third time. The Colorado electors were not voted for by the people in 1876, nor the Florida electors in 1868.

The Weight of Hearts

The average weight of men's hearts is eleven ounces each and of women's only nine ounces. Thus when they give and take, or exchange hearts man is the loser, quality being equal. Man's average brain weighs 49½ ounces and woman's 44. The average weight of both lungs is for men 45 ounces and for women 32 ounces. Garfield's right lung weighed 3[illegible] and the left [illegible] ounces, making [illegible] ounces of lungs, or 14 ounces in excess of the average.

Chinese Population

The only census ever made in China was in 1812. According to the Almanach de Gotha for 18[illegible] the population of China, properly so called, was estimated at 405,000,000 and of the rest of the empire, including Mantchuria, Mongolia, Thibet and Corea, 28,000,000; in all [illegible] 000,000. It is a matter of guesswork. We understand that an official census is being taken now.

Lead Pencil Signatures

A signature in lead pencil is perfectly valid and no man can cheat his creditor by pleading that he has signed his name with a lead pencil. But no creditor is compelled to receive a note signed with a lead pencil. A bank may make any rules in this matter that it pleases.

Old Coaches

Coaches were introduced into England about 1580 and forty years later there were but three in use in Paris, they having been introduced into the French capital in 1521.

Length of Atlantic Cables

The Atlantic cables vary in length from 2,0[illegible]0 to over 3,000 miles according to the distance between connecting stations.

THE LITTLE PEOPLE.

A 3 year old Who Wanted to Retain Her Teeth

A Dexter [illegible] year old was put to bed the other night a little earlier than she herself thought [illegible]. Soon after she called her [illegible] and [illegible] got it. A little later [illegible] she looked up to her father with a most uncommon [illegible] and remarked: "[illegible] I believe I [illegible] you say it wasn't a good plan to retire immediately after eating. I guess I'll get up."—Dexter (Me) Gazette.

"The Shoemaker to His Last"

A sparkling [illegible] Katie's faith in the efficacy of prayer shows that she believes in faith with works. Susie, a little companion, had got locked into the bathroom and after long and fruitless efforts to unlock the door, Katie proposed a prayer for deliverance, which she immediately began, but after first directing her little fellow captive to make, while the prayer was under way, a vigorous and industrious use of a screw driver which they had got hold of. The door came wide open. [illegible] said Katie. "But why didn't you [illegible] the screw driver and let Mary do the praying?" "Cos she can't pray so well as I can—and she can use screw drivers."—Hartford Times.

Wanted It Changed

Ethel and Maud were taken in by the nurse for their first glimpse of a little baby brother, whose age was numbered by hours. Ethel did not seem at all pleased, and in answer to a question she replied, with no little disdain: "No I don't like it. I wouldn't have such a red faced baby. If I was mother I would send it back and change it." She knew that her mother, when dissatisfied with some purchase, frequently returned it to the store and exchanged it for something more to her taste. —New York World.

A Comforting Reflection

One day Gracie and auntie were speaking of an uncle who had died before Gracie was born. "Uncle John loved little children dearly," said auntie. "If he were alive he would be very kind to you. He would give you ever so many playthings." "Well, never mind, auntie, if he is dead I shall see him when I get to heaven. We've got him saved up down in the cemetery, haven't we?"—Boston Globe.

The Artless Child

Mamie (6 years old, to lady caller)—Mamma said to ask you to sit down a few moments, and she would be right in. It isn't raining, is it?

Lady Caller—Why, no, Mamie. Why did you think it was?

Mamie—Because, when mamma saw you coming, she said, "It never rains but it pours."—Texas Siftings.

Just Before Christmas

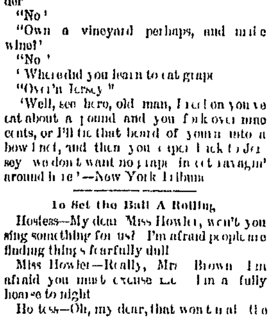
Little Gertrude, a fat grave personage of two years and a half, had given her mother a hug of unusual fervor. Said the latter: "What makes you love mamma so today, Gertrude?" "Well, mamma, I [illegible] myself ag'eeable."—Beatrice, (Neb) Woman's Journal.

He Got Away With Too Many

A short old man in rather rusty [illegible] with a long gray beard yellow instead [illegible] an armful of Christmas bundles, was going through Fulton market on Thursday at noon and stopped at a wagon where baskets of grapes were displayed for sale.

"Here you are!" yelled the proprietor, pointing to open baskets of fruit, "the best Concords, Catawbas and Delawares in the market, for half the price you pay in [illegible]."

The small man stepped up, and shifting his bundles so as to free his turkey arm he meditatively pulled off a large grape from a bunch in a basket of Concords. Having devoured that, he tried a Delaware and then a Catawba, and began on the Concords again.



The fruit vender, who had been engaged with a customer, now began to regard the short man's actions with suspicion.

"How much for grapes?" said the latter, laconically, eating a Delaware.

"Forty cents a basket."

"Too much," said the short man, stowing away two more Concords.

"Are you a wholesaler?" inquired the vender.

"No."

"Own a vineyard perhaps, and make wine?"

"No."

"Where did you learn to eat grapes?"

"Over 'n Jersey."

"Well, see here, old man, I reckon you've eat about a pound and you fork over nine cents, or I'll tie that beard of yourn into a bow knot, and then you can pack back to Jersey. We don't want no grape inspectors navagatin' around here."—New York Tribune.

To Set the Ball A Rolling

Hostess—My dear Miss Howler, won't you sing something for us? I'm afraid people are finding things fearfully dull.

Miss Howler—Really, Mrs Brown, I'm afraid you must excuse me. I'm a fully hoarse to night.

Hostess—Oh, my dear, that won't make the slightest difference. Nobody will listen, for they'll all begin to talk directly you begin to sing, and I just want something to start the conversation.—Boston Beacon.

The Return of Piety

"You were once a member of our church, I believe."

"Yes."

"Why do you never attend?"

"Oh I have a number of reasons."

"By the way, I don't hear the ordinary more. I've lost my voice completely."

"Is that so? Well, I think I'll renew my attendance at the church at once."—Lincoln Journal.

How to Get a Crowded House

First Actor—I am going to have a benefit next Saturday night.

Second Actor—You are?

"Yes but I'm puzzled to know how I'm going to fill the house."

"That's easy enough done."

"But how?"

"Invite your creditors."—Texas Siftings.

Setting Her Right

Miss Waldo (of Boston)—Have you ever read Kant, Mr Wabash?

Mr Wabash (of Chicago)—[illegible], Miss Waldo, but do you mean "Don't?"—New York Sun.

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LAMAR is confirmed and the action apparently pleases Democrats as much as it displeases Republicans, a very natural result indeed Viewing the matter from a non partisan standpoint, without the extremes to which both sides go, the appointment need not give any uneasiness to the people as a nation Had not Republicans taken the Mosbys and Longstreets into their arms, their objection to Lamar would look more reasonable, but the people cannot require conversion to Republicanism as the only evidence of repentance of rebellion The tangible excuse for Republican opposition, however, is found in their willingness to have favored the appointment of any northern Democrat, and there are plenty of eligible ones If a member of a family, enjoying all equal household rights, were to rebel and try to rupture the family the steadfast members would be cautious about the recreant brother or sister until repentance was assured To many sober minds Mr Lamar has not shown proper repentance to occupy the most responsible office in the gift of the President

LEST we are misconstrued we want to assert ourselves as not being against the County Commissioners in a strictly personal sense Heretofore we have kept still as a matter of favor, but having found it without appreciation we have concluded to exercise our full right of criticism Every newspaper man and every business man knows that the man who fills a commissioner's chair needs more practical business sense than any officer in the county, and it is a well known fact that less than one in every five elected to that office have not even ordinary, commendable business judgment Yet these are the men at the very head of county affairs, who disburse the thousands of dollars of public money every year There isn't a man in Marion county who would trust his own business affairs in their hands a minute, and if he did and found they were trying to trade off his property for complimentary tickets he would discharge them at once, even though it is a small matter

Two bills looking toward the better listing of taxable matters have been introduced in the House One by Representative Worthington provides that the Recorder should furnish to the county Auditor a list of all mortgages and names of mortgagees The other was by Representative Reed, which provides that owners of personal property should affix the value of such to the assessors instead of exhibiting the same and making the assessor fix a value on them In this bill also, the express and telegraph companies are required to furnish the amount of their earnings

A TEST made at Philadelphia a few days ago of what is known as the Loomis process, is said to have demonstrated to the satisfaction of a number of competent judges who witnessed it that fuel gas equal in heating power to natural gas can be manufactured at a merely nominal cost from bituminous coal, and for which purpose the "slack" or waste can be utilized It is claimed that should natural gas give out this substitute can be afforded at a price to warrant its substitution to a large extent

It is developed that there is really a woman in Cleveland who can keep a secret, this remarkable woman being Mrs Ammon, who is now confined in jail for refusing to testify as the court directed Hereafter the men must concede that women CAN keep a secret but they can still proclaim that they do not After Mrs Ammon gets over her stubbornness every woman in Cleveland will know what intelligence she has been so jealously keeping to herself

CONGRESSMEN from all sections of the country are introducing bills for the erection of postoffices in many towns of less size than Marion Our Mr Cooper would do some good by securing the passage of a bill giving a door to the Marion postoffice that will please the callers and at the same time keep the cold out We know this is a rare way to proceed in the case, but nothing short of a National Congress can ever accomplish the feat

WHAT a remarkable medium is the American press Less than two weeks ago a breach of promise suit in New York developed the H's and K's sent in Arbuckle's loving letters to Ohio Bunny Campbell and the ridiculous things were soon quoted in all the papers Now lovers all over the continent are slyly or otherwise, breaking the ice by reference to these H's and K's There is nothing like them

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND by some fortuitous circumstance has appointed an Ohio Republican Lee Brock of Cleveland to be Consul at Hungary There must be something dreadful connected with that position or the President has made a mistake that can never be atoned for

THE Northwest blizzard seems to be a terror, and the number of fatalities are alarming Some genius will have to set about work inventing a preventative but winds will blow

STRAY BITS

[illegible] the streets of London are the [illegible]

[illegible] to churches and [illegible] and lightning

[illegible] that the Russian [illegible] better than for [illegible]

[illegible] of the discovery of [illegible] in Buckingham township [illegible]

[illegible] was originated in Italy [illegible] was derived from a system of [illegible] at Venice

[illegible] contempt applied [illegible] the time of Charles I arose from [illegible] cutting their hair close

The inhabitants of London consume annually [illegible] oxen 1 500 000 sheep 8 000 000 [illegible] and 500 000 oysters

[illegible] of the 600 who charged [illegible] thirty nine years ago held their [illegible] in London a short time ago

[illegible] government is making efforts [illegible] oysters on the shores of Tasmania [illegible] be meeting with good success

It is said that Alaska will become a great mining country within a few years and will furnish canned salmon enough to supply all creation

In a Virginia newspaper of thirty years ago is a long account of the sentence of a woman to two years imprisonment for teaching a slave to read

During the past seven years more than 600,000 acres in England have gone out of cultivation This means an immense loss to the landowners and farmers

In the Desert of Sahara rain falls in torrents at intervals of five, ten and twenty years In winter the temperature frequently falls below the freezing point

The islands on the eastern coast of Virginia are being restocked with hares imported from England Several thousands of the animals have been turned loose

Elihu Stevens of Smithfield Me, is at the head of a family which is probably the largest in the country In this family there are five generations which comprise 319 persons

Mr Holcomb lately secretary of the American legation at Pekin says that out of the 400 000 000 inhabitants of the Chinese empire fully 40 000 000 spend less than $1 00 a month for food

Sealskin has only been known to Europeans as a fur for about 150 years It is the rival of [illegible] in fashionable favor Miniver [illegible] is a very old fur, and was at one time the special favorite of royalty

It is said that scales for weighing diamonds are brought nearly to that delicacy of balance which enables dealers to detect flaws in [illegible] by minute variations in weight. They [illegible] accurately the 640th part of a carat

Dr [illegible] of Geneva has lately experimented with himself in hanging His experiments established that the sensations were [illegible] warmth and a burning in the head with convulsions Of course his experiments didn't go very far

The monument of Gen Toombs has been at last shipped from Italy This is the third monument that has been built. The first was lost at sea A bed of crystals was found in the second after all had been completed except the base block

The Lincoln Journal while it does not claim that the town has the prettiest women in Nebraska is quite certain that it has the homeliest men 'They are warm hearted and [illegible],' it says, 'but as homely as a sorrel horse with a blazed face'

It is estimated that pin factories in New England turn out 10 500 000,000 pins yearly and that other factories in the states bring the number up to 18,000,000,000 This is equal to about one pin a day for every inhabitant of the United States.

English etiquette has decided that unmarried ladies should never use a crest on anything, note paper servants buttons, brushes or any other article. It is usually found that the people best entitled to crests and coats of arms make the least use and display of them

A curious law case in Liverpool concerned chewing gum A confectioner was fined for selling the article for food, which it was claimed was as indigestible as a button but the defense stated that the article was perfectly harmless and not intended to be swallowed

In order to retain one's place on the pension rolls of Germany it is necessary to appear there in person once in ten years. A Rudolph [illegible] of Glenmore [illegible] had nearly lapsed the time and at the last moment sold his ten acre farm with a good house two cows and his entire crop and effects for $50 to raise money to go

An experiment is being made on the California coast to test the utility of ocean wave force At an opening in some cliffs great fans are suspended and their movement at the ebb and flow of the waves is so geared as to work immense pumps which are designed to fill large reservoirs on elevations, these being used to supply water power to manufactories of various kinds

The United States is the largest consuming country of raisins in the world and the annual consumption is about 3 000 000 boxes of about twenty pounds each which at an average of $3 a box shows an expenditure of $9 000 000 per annum for one article in the dried fruit line The amount referred to represents say 1 000 000 boxes Valencia, 950 000 boxes California 900 000 boxes Malaga and 10 000 boxes Smyrna.

PERILS OF WINTER

W J Morris, of Wausau Wis, while hunting, lost his way and was found frozen to death in the brush

Harvey Havener [illegible] years old, of Jamestown N Y while coasting ran into a street car His skull was fractured and he died instantly

Daniel Stillwell 60 years of age was within a long distance of his home at South Pittsburg, Tenn recently when he fell exhausted in the snow and perished

On his way to church one morning a few days since [illegible] of [illegible]ville Mo 80 years of age was caught in a blizzard and was [illegible] in a wheat field where he [illegible] death—New York Sun

CURIOUS ACCIDENTS

[illegible] of Mount Joy Pa [illegible] his [illegible] of his boot

[illegible] near Fremont [illegible] taking into the fire [illegible] through the [illegible]

[illegible] William Brehog [illegible] riding sled, and [illegible] against a tree [illegible]

[illegible] little son of James [illegible] a blade of straw [illegible] leaf by it [illegible] two inches in length [illegible] out, and the boy's hearing is restored

WHAT THEY WEAR

Military effects are noticeable in the season's millinery

Colors are extensively used in the decoration of black toilets

Glove stretchers of oxidized silver are worn as a pendant to the chatelaine

Pretty demi trained toilets for young ladies are of white wool braided with silver

Venetian green and terra cotta are combined in some of the newest tailor gowns.

Charming evening toilets have lace skirts, with moire bodices with sashes to match.

White and gold and pale blue and silver are favorite combinations for evening bonnets

Young ladies trim their black silk gowns very effectively with silver and cut jet gimps

Bonnets of dark green velvet are spangled with jet and trimmed with black moire ribbon

Dainty home toilets are almost invariably made with a belted corsage of some description

Pale and deep tan plush skirts are worn with winter dresses of various colors and fabrics

Ocean green and old silver are neutral colors which are much admired for cloth tailor made gowns

A new gold horse shoe brooch is formed by several smaller horseshoes set with rubies or other stones

Laces, silk and passementeries and jet galloon are the favorite garnitures for black faille dresses

Cashmere bonnets with pinked edges and caps sewn inside are in vogue for babies and little girls

Beige, fawn bronze, golden brown and all the tawny yellow shades are very fashionable the present season

New cloth bonnets matching cloth dresses are covered with passementerie like that used to trim the dress

Theatre bonnets of cashmere, with pinked edges and full gathered fronts, are pretty and generally becoming

Bridemaids who follow the newest fashion carry walking sticks of ebony and silver, to which bouquets are attached

A Paris correspondent writes that fur trims everything in spite of all imitations. The real article is always so expensive and so different that the fashion grows and thrives

Wadded jackets are worn under the India wraps which averts the possibility of the wearer freezing to death on the street, *although the camel's hair material is of itself* celebrated for its warmth

Small mantel clocks with a musical box attachment, are new and pretty, and had a popular sale during the holidays. They are of Swiss manufacture, and come in several sizes and a variety of tunes

Toboggan hats are of many varieties, and none of them especially admirable. Disfigurement in costume seems to be essential to this new kind of outdoor sport, which has now become a veritable craze

A Paris correspondent tells that a new fashion is peacocks plumes tied in the coiffure with narrow ribbons If prettily arranged, says the correspondent they are very effective, and new in any case

As many turbans as bonnets are seen at the theatre now, and most of them are stylish and becoming In Paris turbans of bird feathers, with a gold aigrette in front, are described as the height of fashion.

Now that the imitation jeweled swinging lamps have reached barrooms and worse places, the probabilities are that they will be discarded without a tear by the so called exclusive people who first had them.

Fashion prophets say crinoline will be back in all its "balloonity" within a year, and that the bustle is fast being driven away to make way for it. Then good by to scant skirts and to economy in buying dress patterns.

Velvet basques and redingotes are increasing Apropos of the former, the news comes over the cable that the Princess of Wales has a velvet basque trimmed with black, long haired fur down the front and around the edge

BASEBALL GOSSIP

Clarkson, the noted Chicago pitcher, says he would like to see Mike Kelly with a Chicago uniform in right field.

Mr J W Spalding says the Cincinnatis will be the showiest team on the ball field next season with their many colored uniforms

Smiling Mickey Welch will be found with a New York uniform on, notwithstanding all rumors to the contrary

From all appearances the remainder of the New York combination will sojourn on the Pacific slope for some time yet The climate agrees with them

There will be an interesting fight between the Brooklyn and Cincinnati clubs next season for first place. However, the chances are in favor of the latter

Silver King is looked upon as the star twirler of the St. Louis Browns for the season of 1888, and will be expected to do the bulk of the work for that club

Manager Phillips, of the Pittsburg club, announces that nearly all his spring dates have been arranged He has a few left, and any club desiring games should communicate with him

The fifty cent gate admission to the American association games is creating quite a stir in the different cities which contain Association clubs It is thought that the scheme will not be a success

It is now believed that Manager Williams will take his Cleveland club south in the spring Should he do so he will open at Macon, Ga , on or about March 15 He will meet other clubs down there.

Big Dave Foutz one of Brooklyn's new men for next season is doing some tall work in the box this winter for the St Louis combination now in California. It is hoped he will keep it up next season

It will not be astonishing to see Buck Ewing occupying the pitcher's box next season Buck is doing great work in that line this winter on the Pacific slope. He seems to be as good in one place as another

THREE BIRD STORIES

A Georgia man had a pure white hen. Recently she began molting, and every white feather that dropped out was replaced by a black one and now she is clad in deep black from bill to tail

Hundreds of English sparrows are being dragged from their nests or roosts beneath the cornices of the high buildings in Columbus [illegible] by large flocks of screech owls, that carry them away and devour them.

For the fifth year a common crow has come with the first snow to the home of a correspondent of The Landon Bell He will take a piece of fat from the hand There was a heavy fall of snow on Dec 11 and the bird then appeared for the first time this season received his breakfast and departed. He returned again with the first severe weather

PERSONAL PICKINGS

Lord Cairns's bride is just 19, he is 25

Mr Paul Du Chaillu has settled permanently in London

Queen Victoria has knighted Edwin Arnold author of the famous poem The Light of Asia.

The Empress of Austria has given $12,500 to [illegible] the fund for a monument to Heine at Dusseldorf

Kossuth who is now living in the strictest seclusion at Turin is in excellent health, despite his 86 years

Julian Hawthorne, who has a large family to support thinks of going back on literature and [illegible] trade

C P Huntington the fifty millionaire, used to peddle out butter by the pound to the miners in California

Rev C H Spurgeon, the London preacher, has returned to London from Mentone greatly improved in health

Mr Berg, Jenny Lind's music master, is still teaching music in Sweden although he is more than 90 years of age

The inventor of the diamond cutting machine was Charles M Field who is now in the jewelry trade in Boston, Mass

Senator Joe Blackburn's health gives his family and friends deep concern It is feared that he [illegible] cancer of the stomach

Edison's father has been a rolling stone all his life but now at the age of 84 has about $100,000 in cold cash He has a very poor opinion of Tom's electrical work

Von Moltke's simple habits are likely to insure him a long old age He enjoys family life shuns company and talks rarely, but pithily and relishes a good game of whist

Speaker Carlisle has two sons, William and Logan William is 27 years of age and is married Logan is younger and still a bachelor They are both in business at Wichita, Kan

Count de Sponneck of the Danish legation at St Petersburg has been appointed Danish minister to the United States. He will enter upon the duties of the post in February

The Prince of Wales is angry at the use of his name in connection with a proposed banquet to Kilrain and Smith and has instructed his private secretary to give an emphatic denial to the report

Sir Kenneth Cummings, the son of Gordon Cummings the great lion slayer, is back in America after a years absence, during which he visited central Africa and killed three lions and several leopards.

Mr Henry Irving's two sons are at college, and show signs of the inheritance of their father's genius At a recent performance they delighted the audience by the remarkable manner in which their recitations were given

Secretary Whitney's New York house was the gift of Oliver H Payne, his wife's brother and it is said Payne gave it to her as a bridal present It cost $600,000, and its furnishings are estimated to have eaten up $200,000 more

There are nine surviving ex governors of Massachusetts namely George S Boutwell, Henry J Gardner Nathaniel P Banks, William Claflin, William Gaston Alexander H Rice, Benjamin F Butler John D Long and George D Robinson

Wilkie Collins lives in a pleasant, substantial house in Gloucester place Portman square London He suffers much from nervous prostration and gout in the eyes The novelist admits that what he needs is "coolness peace and quiet

It is estimated that the pope received 2,500 telegraphic messages of congratulation "Allowing [illegible] words to each message this would make [illegible] words At an average rate of [illegible] these messages would therefore represent [illegible] of [illegible] 000

[illegible] Hofmann has stirred Boston to its depths [illegible] musical centers In other cities Hofmann has been listened to [illegible] in Boston they [illegible] for him The Theosophists of that city say he is the reincarnation of some great musical spirit

Senator Brown of Georgia, is supposed to have been the author of a history of Georgia, which was edited by one of his friends and in which the words "Joe Brown" and "Georgia" were synonyms. It is an interesting book, and, as a life of Joe Brown, is romantic

W H Chippendale who died in London recently, aged 87 was the "old man" of the stage, as John Gilbert was in his youth He was the Mr Chippendale of the old Park theatre, in New York, from 1836 till the house was burned in 1848 In 1853 he returned to England. For nearly ten years he has been living in retirement.

George W Williams, the colored historian and the best known writer of his race, has just put the finishing touches to a drama, which he hopes to see performed on the stage before very long The name of this play is "Panda," and the scene is laid in Africa. Panda, the hero, is said to be a second Othello in character and appearance The horrors of a slave ship are reproduced, and one scene is devoted to a slave market in Charleston, S C

Benjamin Constant, the French painter, is a man of medium height, with bright brown eyes and a frank genial face adorned with close cropped hair and beard. Spain and the Holy Land are his favorite sketching grounds. He is just now, however, engaged upon the decoration of the grand council chamber of the University of Paris—a work which will occupy him three years, and for which he is paid 30,000 francs, in payments of 10 000 francs a year

OUR DUMB ANIMALS

A bear at Carter's ranch, near Mangus, N M has killed more than 100 goats, and defies all pursuers.

A horse at Lynn, Mass , is alleged to have got out of the box stall in which he had been tied and to have gone to the blacksmith shop, where his owner found him waiting his turn for a new shoe.

In trenching along Alloway's creek, New Jersey recently, John Ritter unearthed thirteen snakes of various sizes and two huge bullfrogs all sleeping their winter's nap amicably together

Cats in eastern countries are said to acquire such a fondness for opium that they will habitually smoke any that may be left in the pipe when the master lays it down, and when deprived of it will suffer from nervousness and depression.

Two boys of Somerset N Y near Buffalo saw a large white owl fly over their heads and alight on a fence They took opposite sides of the rails and banged away One fell with a bullet piercing his hip, passing between the teeth and lodging in the back of his neck

A rattlesnake was discovered carrying off a half grown turkey near Waukeenah, Fla., and two dogs were set upon it It struck both animals and both died, but the turkey was rescued unharmed which is proof that snakes do not poison their own food The snake killed was 6 feet 7 inches long and had fifteen rattles.

"Yes, I shall break the engagement " she said, folding her arms and looking defiant, "It is really too much trouble to converse with him, he's as deaf as a post, and talks like he had a mouthful of mush Besides, the way he hawks and spits is disgusting " "Don't break the engagement for that, tell him to take Dr Sage's Catarrh Remedy It will cure him completely " "Well I'll tell him I do hate to break it off, for in all other respects he's quite too charming " Of course, it cured his catarrh

Abe Loming a farmer living near Georgetown, sold cattle for which he received about $400 A few nights later two masked men called at his house and compelled him to disgorge

David Harpster's big barn near Bellevue containing a large amount of hay farming implements 1100 bushels of wheat three horses three head of cattle and eight hogs burned Loss over $2500 insured for $700 in Farmers Mutual of Sandusky county Cause of fire unknown

A special convention of the Episcopal diocese of Ohio will be held in Cleveland March 14 and 15 to elect an assistant bishop, Drs Biggar and Bishop having insisted that Bishop Bedell can not longer sustain unaided the cares and burdens of the episcopacy

Bottling the Air

Bob Ingersoll says that if it were possible to bottle the air there would be a Great American Air Bottling association formed and millions would be allowed to die for want of breath if they were unable to pay the monthly air bill Fresh air is the very breath of life to suffer from lung trouble

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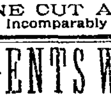

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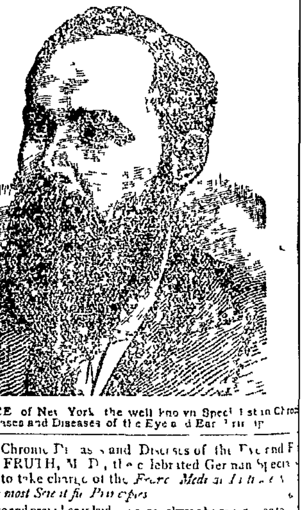

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LOCAL NEWS.

—G H Wright was at Bucyrus, Monday

—W S Frash is in Huntington on a visit with his parents

—H I Van Fleet was in Chicago Ill on legal business Monday

—Dr Stalw made a professional visit to the Capital City Monday

—C and A pay car handed the boys out their checks Monday evening

—George McGuire is going to again enter the insurance agency business in Marion

—George James of Springfield, spent Sunday among his many friends in this city

— F G Richardson, of Hotel Marion, spent Saturday in the Queen City, on a business trip

—R I Parkinson, of the Marion Mf'g Co is off on a business trip into Clark and Montgomery counties

—W E Pittenger and H A Billows, of Columbus were guests of Miss Miller, on South West street Sunday

—Great bargains in fine silk velvet hats and bonnets and everything pertaining to millinery at Mrs H Thomas

—Coasting on the Main street slope of Gospel Hill is again the go and the younger folks of divers ages are enjoying it

—The sleigh dealers will drive in their cutters now whether the move is general or not It is an advertisement you know

—Mrs Smith of Richwood who was visiting with her sister Mrs John Woodruff on the hill, returned to her home Sunday

—Children's corded waists misses and ladies corsets a specialty at Mrs H Thomas [59 d2&w1]

—Edwin W Matthews has brought suit for a divorce from his wife Mollie K Matthews alleging gross neglect of duty as the cause

—Numerous LaRue citizens were in the city Monday attending the condemnation suit of that village vs Eli Waples in the Probate court

—Mrs W H Conkright returned to her home, in Richwood, on Sunday, after a short visit with her daughter, Mrs Frank Winter, on East street

—H F Snyder was in Cincinnati on business connected with the K of P order Henry Reiser was in charge of the Western Union office in his absence

—Mr H M Barnhart has returned from his Chicago trip and is quoted as saying that he received flattering encouragement there regarding the building of an union depot here

—Messrs L Huber S L Barlow and G W Showen left for Southern Ohio Tuesday on business for the Huber company They will visit Portsmouth and several other river towns

—A house and lot belonging to James F West, located in Prospect, was sold at Sheriff's sale, on Saturday to J W Shaw, of Cardington for $384—two-thirds of the appraised value

—The delinquent tax sale attracted a good sized crowd of moneyed men to the Treasurer's office Tuesday The sales were generally very prompt, with Mr John Markey as the central figure

—Milt Virden was over from LaRue Wednesday and having missed the first train for home was much concerned lest he might have to break an engagement to attend the leap year ball at that place tonight

—The canvass for votes for the officers of the Grand Lodge K of P of Ohio will be made in Grand Chancellor Court's office in this city January 25 A number of prominent Knights will be present from different parts of the State

—Rev Yale preached in the Normal chapel Sunday afternoon to quite a large audience After the sermon an union Sunday school was organized with Miss Moore as Superintendent and W G Shute Assistant Superintendent

—At the annual meeting of the Soldiers Monumental association W C Rapp was elected Treasurer vice J S Reed who had resigned some time before Mr Rapp has given ample bond for the faithful performance of his responsible duties

—The $15 000 of Caledonia Pike bonds have finally been sold but not at public auction and there is money to complete the work despite the litigation on hand The sale was made through Jno I Uhler to Cleveland parties and the deal was consummated last week

—The Salvationists seem to have aroused a considerable interest again but to the careful observer, the larger portion of the crowd gathering in the Bennett Armory is composed of young rowdies who go for a loud time This is why so many cannot regard the Salvationists with any favor

—A tramp applied to Policeman Masterson for lodgings at the city prison the other night This was about eight o clock in the evening and the officer replied "yes if you will carry the coal for fire 'Great God! Isn t the coal in yet?' asked the lazy dog and walked away to hunt up a bunking place where he wouldn t need to carry any coal for the fire

—Probate Judge Criswell was called to the Infirmary Monday to hold an inquest of lunacy over a young lady named Fisher who formerly resided in the west part of the county The young lady who presents a fine appearance suffers the dementia of believing some one is trying to force invisible medicine down her and that it will ruin her mind She will be sent to the Columbus asylum

—No opposition was offered to the regularly nominated ticket of the Agricultural society on Saturday and only seventy-one votes were cast out of a membership of four hundred and seventy eight John McElvy was chosen President and C H Gooding Vice President with the members of the Board of Managers as mentioned last week The Board will organize at a meeting in this city on Thursday Jan 26th

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Mr M Shoemaker Vice President Northern National Bank, Toledo, Ohio having suffered for years with rheumatism and tried all remedies known to alleviate, says, Surprise Liniment is the best remedy he has ever used Try it at druggists
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J H Leonard was over from LaRue Wednesday on business

—Wm Bland and H M Barnhart left for Cincinnati Wednesday on a short business trip

—Dave Hummer has sold his interest in the Office saloon to Cash Mouser who now becomes the sole proprietor

—A bright little daughter was born to Mr and Mrs George Belcher, Thursday night thus adding another jewel to their family circle

—Emanuel Knachel, an old and much respected citizen of Prospect, died Monday evening after a long illness His funeral occurred Wednesday afternoon

—E H Dodge was over from Caledonia looking up the matter of permanently locating here Ed is an expert painter and ought to find plenty to do in Marion

—Upper Sandusky Chief Harry Young, Marion county's popular young Clerk of Courts, spent Sunday in this city Pete Neidig of Marion, spent Sunday and Monday with his parents and friends in this city

—Waldo pike bonds amounting to $10 500 were sold Saturday at their par value to Jno F Uhler for $10 629 50, the increase being the accrued interest since their issue The Centerville ditch bonds amounting to $800 were sold at par to Michael Jacoby

—H E Corning ex Sheriff of Lorain Co, but now connected with the Elyria Stone Co, of Elyria, was here Wednesday looking up the matter of stone pavement for the court house yard It is hoped that some action will be taken in order to complete the job early in the spring

—Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Sallie Kraner, daughter of Jno E Kraner to Mr Frank H Eise, of Galion Thursday evening January 26 at the Evangelical Protestant church A reception is to be given at Mr Kraner's residence on East South street after the church ceremony

—We have received the initial number of the Prospect News, published by the Prospect Pub Co The paper is practically the the Monitor under a new name and there seems to be something in name The News first number is by far the liveliest paper sent out from Prospect in many years and it deserves much commendation

—The murderer of Charles Douglas, of Crestline, is still at large, all efforts to track him having been fruitless The township trustees have sent his family to their former home, where they are being provided for A strict surveilance is being kept on Mrs Douglas, as it is thought that possibly she is in some way implicated in the affair and may receive letters or visits which will lead to the capture of her husband's slayer

—Some time since we published a clipping from the Richwood Gazette referring to the Magnetic Springs sensation, in which Dr Mowry was rather the party accused The Cincinnati Enquirer has published Mrs Mowry's history, which puts a very different appearance on the affair It seems that she has been about as tough a character as ever left the Queen City, in search of innocents, and Dr Mowry proved to be one of them

—A very merry reception to more than fifty of Marion's young people, was given by Mr and Mrs Mike Cleary, at their home on West street Friday night The party was given in honor of Miss Mary Wilson of Sidney, O who has been visiting her uncle and family for a few weeks Mr and Mrs Cleary bade their guests so generous a welcome that they felt freely at home and had a jolly good time Euchre was indulged in with other enjoyable diversion all having a truly happy evening

—A deal has been made on east Center street, closing out all the vacant property in the vicinity of the "nabobs" W H H Thompson has purchased the Marion County bank property fronting 100 feet on Center street between J J Hane's and Dr Hamilton's, for $3000 and Geo H Kling has purchased the 159 feet fronting on South street, for $2250 also of the Marion County bank Mr Thompson will erect a fine residence on his property in the summer to be occupied as his home

—Bucyrus Critic There is a woman living not far from Bucyrus who has an eye to business, if not to honesty, as the trick she played on L C Hall & Co last week will show She brought four rolls of pale looking butter to the store and sold them for cash Joe laid the butter away in the cellar and later on sold it, with another lot to a shipper The shipper in cutting the stuff up found that the four rolls were not butter but the most ordinary kind of mashed potatoes She had molded the potatoes frozen the rolls and smeared them with butter to give them a genuine appearance

— An Upper Sandusky special says George Sturdy has been awarded the contract of cutting down the stately willow tree which has stood for ages on Kirby hill on east Wyandot avenue Many historical events have transpired near this tree General Crawford's brave soldiers rested under this willow Henry Clay, the statesman and Charles Dickens the novelist, have drank from the spring that bubbles up under the swaying branches The reason that this old landmark must be removed is that its roots interfere with the new county jail sewer, which lies near its base

—On Sunday, Feb 12th new train rules and rules for the movement of trains by telegraphic orders will be put into effect on the Erie Rule sixteen of these rules reads as follows Each conductor and engineman must have a watch which has been examined and certified to on the form hereto attached, by a responsible watch maker, and must file such certificate with the proper designated officer before he is allowed to take charge of a train or engine Watches must be examined and certificates renewed every six months The following examiners of watches have been appointed for the western division Kent F N Davis & Co Dayton H Best & Sons, Marion, M A Turney Galion, Kesselmeier & Bechtel Although only enginemen and conductors are required by these rules to file certificates of examination of watches yet all train men are encouraged to do so All conductors and enginemen must have their certificates filed before Sunday, Feb 12th

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ALMOST BEHEADED

Adam Petzel a Straw Packer, Meets a Peculiar and Horrible Death Near LaRue

A very peculiar and distressing accident, with fatal results occurred near LaRue on Tuesday afternoon in which Adam Petzel was the unfortunate victim Petzel is one of the gang of straw packers bailing straw near LaRue The straw is hauled to Richwood for shipment, and about three o clock Petzel and a companion started for there with a heavy load

Petzel was sitting on the forepart of the wagon, with his back to the topmost bale and started through the South bridge a short distance from town Unconscious of his danger he drove his team into the covered bridge, where one of the upper beams caught his head between it and the bale of straw back of him, and almost tore it from his body The tightly bound load would have just cleared the beam, but his head was far enough above to get caught and he had evidently been turned around conversing with his companion so that he was caught without any endeavor to save himself

The tightened position stopped the team, and they backed up loosening his head but death had been instantaneous, for his neck was broken besides his head being torn half off The remains were taken to LaRue and interred in the cemetery at that place Wednesday □

Petzel's folks live at Ashland, O but he had no home of his own He was about thirty years old

Training Her for the Track

[Bucyrus Critic]

Last August Joe Augustine obtained from some thoughtless person a certificate that he was well to do and able to care for a charge Armed with this document he went to the Commissioners of Marion county and through them obtained possession of a girl fourteen years of age who was at the time an inmate of the Marion county Infirmary He brought her home, and until today, she has lived with him and his mother on the Sulphur Springs road

His reason for adopting the girl was a mystery to every one until about last September, when it became known that he was training her for a pedestrian, which profession Augustine has followed with the enthusiasm of a thorough crank He would take the girl early in the morning to the fair ground, and after compelling her to array herself in tights, with a horse stall as a chamber, he would walk her around the track at a six minute gait urging her on by profanity to the most strenuous efforts She was then forced to undergo the attention that follows severe exercise She was then taken home and the thing repeated the next day This continued until threats of prosecution frightened him out of the scheme of making the girl, like himself, a "world beater by birth"

This week, on complaint of Augustine's mother he was brought into the office of Squire Ward and he was given to understand that the girl must be returned This morning he hitched up a paralytic old horse into a rickety wagon and hauled the girl back to Marion county, where it is hoped she will receive better treatment than at the hands of this crazy pedestrian

Wool Growers Association

At a meeting of the Marion County Wool Growers association held last Saturday the following officers were elected for the ensuing year P W Holverstott President, H M Rhoads Vice President Chas McElvy Secretary, Wm Walters Treasurer Obediah Miller was selected delegate to the State Wool Growers association

The following Soliciting committee was selected E Brown Grand Prairie John McElvy Salt Rock H V Davis Grand Jos Monnett Scott, Enoch Hoch Big Island J F Marsh Montgomery W Imbody, Bowling Green J B Courts, Green Camp John Courts Prospect, C Brundige Waldo, Jacob Howser Claridon G Gumpf, Richland, M Myers Pleasant, M McKinstry Tully

The meeting was adjourned to Saturday Jan 28th 1888, when the association will meet in the Agricultural rooms in the court house, at 2 o clock

Encampment Election

The following officers were installed for the coming term of Mizpah Encampment No 50, I O O F by E E Frey Dist Dep G P on Tuesday evening

J Drury, C P
William Cole S W
H Hilderbrand J W
Dr E H Raffensperger, Scribe
E Rush High Priest
Charles Stose, Treasurer
S I Beerbower Guide
S Austin, O S
J Jenkins, I S
C F Mayer 1st W
Judge Criswell 2d W
C Hoberman, 3d W
Godfrey Leffler 4th W
S A Court 1st G of T
Wm Fies, 2d G of T

A Sudden Death

A sad and very sudden death is reported from Caledonia Mrs Silas J Hipsher wife of one of the Eureka Milling Co Mrs Hipsher was a very healthy lady of about forty two years and after spending the earlier part of Friday evening of last week at J F Apt's accompanied Mr and Mrs Apt to the M E church She had been in church less than a half hour when she began to feel ill, and started for the home of Dr Maxwell to obtain some relief Not more than a very few minutes elapsed at the doctor's until she fell over dead heart disease having very suddenly terminated her life

Mrs Hipsher was a very estimable lady highly regarded in Caledonia, and her death has caused no little sorrow Her maiden name was Myers, and her home was near Bucyrus

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—The condemnation suit of the village of LaRue vs Eli Waples was tried in the Probate court, Monday a jury going to LaRue and viewing the land in question The defendant was allowed $600 for a strip of land twelve feet wide and 21 feet long which he valued at $1800

TOLEDO, O Oct 1, 1885
I have been a great sufferer for years with neuralgia in my head I tried Surprise Liniment and found it the only thing that would give me instant relief Am free from neuralgia now, and have been for the past two years JOHN S ROWE

FARMERS INSTITUTE PROGRAM

Topics to Be Heard at the Marion County Farmers' Institute, to Be Held in Ludwigs' Hall, Caledonia O on Monday and Tuesday, Jan 20 and 21 '88

MONDAY—10 A M	
Music	Coronation
Prayer	Rev J Whitworth
MUSIC	
Address of Welcome	Dr I K Maxwell
Response	G F Lawrence
MUSIC	
Recitation	Miss Hattie Monnett
The Saving and Handling of Manure	T B Terry
AFTERNOON—1 30 P M	
MUSIC	
Feeding Cattle	Josephus Monnette
MUSIC	
Essay A Woman's Duties on the Farm	Miss Laura Clendennen
Utility of Straw and Farm Talk	Jes Geddis
QUESTION BOX	
Address	W I Owen
Recitation	I I Blake
MUSIC	
The Outlook for Agriculture in Ohio	S H Ellis
EVENING—7 P M	
MUSIC	
Recitation	Frank J Hill
Do We Teach	W S Ramer
MUSIC	
Declamation	Miss Mary Marshal
The Wife's Wages	T B Terry
Recitation	Prof F Baldwin
MUSIC	
TUESDAY—10 A M	
Music	America
Recitation	Miss Della Elkins
Does Farming Pay	A M Smith
MUSIC	
Tile Drainage	Wilson Imbody
Clover and Its Uses	F Conley
MUSIC	
Recitation	P F Foreman
Then and Now, or Ohio's First Century	S H Ellis
AFTERNOON—1 30 P M	
MUSIC	
Recitation	Miss Gertie Lawrence
How to Raise Cabbage and Celery	F E Blake
QUESTION BOX (LADIES)	
Address The Dangers of Illiteracy	Prof A G Crouse
MUSIC	
Recitation	Mrs T Taylor
How Shall We Keep More of the Brightest Boys and Girls on the Farm	T B Terry
MUSIC	

G L LAWRENCE Pres
JOSEPH KLINEFELTER Sec

Harrisburg—Bowling Green

As this part of Marion county's moral vineyard has been overlooked in your county correspondence we beg to submit a few notes

The Weekly STAR is regarded here as the leading paper of the county, and its popularity continues to grow Then, Baldwin is irresistable and always secures a fine list of subscribers at every visit

The dedication of the new church seems to be protracted as they have met twice for that purpose but still lack $600 of paying all arrearages Revs Johnson of Michigan, and McNutt of Byhalia, officiated The building is a fine structure, and the citizens of Bowling Green can be proud of it

We learn that John Harris Jr, has contracted for a farm in Wood county John speaks very highly of the soil's fertility in that locality

A belief is prevalent here that the fact of A L Sager's farm not being for rent points to a matrimonial possibility, whatever that is

James Patrick has the distinction of owning two of the best French brood mares in the township or the county for that matter One of them is a pure coal black

The appearance of the Harrisburg theatrical troupe at the Parr Town school house was a failure on the 12th inst, owing to the inclemency of the weather Only one actor A M Little appeared, and he was doubly disappointed for even his best girl was not present He didn t go home feeling it was good to be there"

Hiram Carter sat as juror in the Probate court on the 16th inst

The STAR's modest digs at the County Commissioners meets with favor here though we are proud that Mr Raub wasn't in the '$8 and three comps" deal If the older members of the Board got the comps they never even offered one to him

J I Kauffroath has contracted the building of a couple of houses and a barn at Marysville

A F Sager and Joe Cheney were reported all week before last the result of too much rabbit on toast They caught nine bunnies in one day, and ate too heartily

L A Tittell, the veterinary surgeon, some time since extracted a large tumor from a colt owned by Jas Patrick, an operation that is considered a marvel, owing to the extremely delicate position of the tumor It was located between the orb of the eye and the ear extending into the concha of the latter The operation was certainly a clever one and none but a thoroughly successful practioner could hope to accomplish it

January 17, 1888 SUB

Examination and Confirmation

Rev M S Waller of Crawford county, O will be publicly examined with a view to ordination at the Green Camp F B church on Saturday, Jan 21st, at 9 a m Rev M C Miner will examine on Mental Philosophy, Moral Science and Evidences of Christianity, Rev Zell on Doctrine and Usages of the Denomination, Rev Sutton on Call and Pastoral Theology If the candidate is accepted, the ordination service will be held at 5 p m the same day Rev Sutton preaching ordination sermon, Rev Zell will deliver ordination prayer and Rev Miner the charge to the candidate Other ministers will be present and participate in the exercises Free entertainment and a cordial invitation given to all

Also, Hon W C Hudson of Clinton county present member of the Ohio Legislature and an old time friend of Pastor Sutton will address the F B Sabbath school next Sunday at 9 30 a m He is a young man of talent, and a very intelligent and winsome speaker A cordial invitation is extended to every one to attend

EDITOR'S BACK STAIRS

The Interesting Views of the Late Dr J G Holland

The columns of the newspapers appear to be flooded with proprietary medicine advertisements As we cast our eye over them it brings to mind an article that was published by the late Dr Holland in Scribner's Monthly He says "Nevertheless it is a fact that many of the best proprietary medicines of the day were more successful than many physicians and most of them it should be remembered were at first discovered or used in actual medical practice When however any shrewd person knowing their virtue and forseeing their popularity secures and advertises them then in the opinion of the biggoted all virtue went out of them

Is not this absurd ?

This great man appreciated the real merits of popular remedies and the absurdity of those who derided them because public attention was called to the article and the evidence of their cures If the most noted physician should announce that he had made a study of any certain organ or disease of the body or make his sign larger than the code size though he may have practiced medicine and been a leader in all medical counsels, notwithstanding all this if he should presume to advertise and decline to give his discovery to the public he would be pronounced a quack and humbug although he may have spent his entire life and all his available funds in perfecting his investigations

Again we say, "absurd

If an ulcer is found upon one's arm and is cured by some dear soul of a grandmother, outside the code it will be pronounced by the medical profession an ulcer of little importance But if treated under the code causing sleepless nights for a month with the scientific treatment viz, plasters washes, dosing with morphine arsenic and other vile substances given to prevent blood poisoning or deaden pain and yet the ulcer becomes malignant, and amputation is made necessary at last, to save life yet all done according to the isms of the medical code this is much more gratifying to the medical profession and adds more dignity to that distinguished order than to be cured by the dear old grandmother's remedy

This appears like a severe arraignment yet we believe that it expresses the true standing of the medical profession in regard to remedies discovered outside of their special isms " One of the most perplexing things of the day is the popularity of certain remedies, especially Warner's safe cure, which we find for sale everywhere The physician of the highest standing is ready to concede its merits and sustain the theories the proprietors have made that is that it benefits in most of the ailments of the human system because it assists in putting the kidneys in proper condition thereby aiding in throwing off the impurities of the blood while others with less honesty and experience deride, and are willing to see their patient die scientifically, and according to the code rather than have him cured by this great remedy

Yet we notice that the popularity of the medicine continues to grow year by year The discoverer comes boldly before the people with its merits, and proclaims them from door to door in our opinion much more honorably than the physician who perchance, may secure a patent from some catastrophe, and is permitted to set a bone of an arm or a finger which he does with great dignity yet very soon after takes the liberty to climb the editor's back stairs at 2 o clock in the morning to have it announced in the morning paper that "Dr So and so was in attendance" thus securing for his benefit a beautiful and free advertisement

We shall leave it to our readers to say which is the wiser and more honorable

Col Thompson's New Book

An important book is about to be brought out by Hon Richard W Thompson of this state It is a history of the industrial and commercial legislation of the goverment—or, to spell more tersley, of tariff legislatson from the earliest days of the government to the present time The timeliness of the work and the eminent qualifications of the author to produce at once a history of interest and of standrad authority will make its publication an important event in current literature Whatever Colonel Thompson does he does well, and in this work he has brought into action unequaled knowledge and experience and trained literary faculties of the highest kind The book will consist of forty six chapters, and it is a complete and exhaustive compilation of all the facts of our history upon the tariff and an examination of the operations of the various tariff laws since the first one of 1796 The volume will show how the fathers of the government, the men who made the Constitution and laid the foundations of the nation adopted the principle of protection to American industry ' for protection sake They were not afraid of the logic of their laws and did not try to split hairs and triangulate the difference between tweedle dee and tweedle dum to suit the fancies of whims of theorists and schoolmen They adopted protection because they believed in the right duty of protection they did not favor tariff laws for revenue with 'incidental' protection Col Thompson deals fully with the history of the tariff, quoting all the Democratic Presidents from Jefferson to Jackson and showing that the free trade movement was introduced and fathered by Southern slaveholders nullifying oligarchy The book however is not a partisan one and will be a mine of information for the free trader as well as for the believer in a protective tariff It is a volume of about 600 pages, and it is to be issued by R S Peale & Co of Chicago, who will sell it by subscription They are good publishers and pushing business men and they hope to have the work on the market by the middle of next month It cannot come too early The book is the product of the ripest years and judgment of Col Thompson's long and honorable life It was not written with a view to the present special condition of affairs but the precipitation of the discussion because of President Cleveland's free trade message makes its appearance peculiarly timely and valuable The manuscript has been read and highly indorsed by Hon John Sherman and President Ammidown of the American Protective Tariff League —Indianapolis Journal

CHEAP SHOES!

For ladies who wear odd sizes To close out some odd lots of Ladies' Fine Shoes;

Tristram & Young

Will offer the following at less than first cost The goods are all desirable, but being odd sizes, we have concluded to make this sacrifice Inventory time is approaching, and when it comes we would rather count dollars than shoes Ladies who wear any of the sizes herein named will secure a bargain by calling at once

SIZES		PRICE
2 1-2	17 pairs Ladies' Kid Button and Glove Top Button Box Toe worked button hole, sizes all 2½ D & E width Some of these goods are worth fully double the price named, but all must go at $1 25 per pair	$1.25
3	This lot consists of 11 pairs Ladies Kid Button, Box Toe, worked button hole, and 7 pairs Ladies' Goat, Button, same style, sizes all 3 D and E width Come soon, if you can wear No 3 and want a bargain	$1.50
4	In this lot there are 16 pairs of Ladies' Genuine Pebble Goat High Cut Button Boots, sizes, 4 4½ and 5 in D & E width It is just the shoe for this season, and while it is below cost, they must go at $2	$2.00

In addition to the above we have many odd lots in all sizes which will be sold equally as cheap

Try us now if you want some big Bargains

TRISTRAM & YOUNG,
Main street, Opp Court House, Marion, O

HALF OVER!

The 30 day, genuine reduction sale, from marked prices of

10 PER CENT.

on all sales of $1 and over The many who have taken advantage of this sale have found our advertisement is adhered to to the letter, and they have been the gainer of just 10 per cent by their purchase

Save 10 per cent on an Overcoat,
Save 10 per cent on a Suit,
Save 10 per cent on a pair of Pants,
Save 10 per cent on Underwear,
Save 10 per cent on a Knit Jacket,
Save 10 per cent on Shirts,
Save 10 per cent on a Rubber Coat,
Save 10 per cent on a Trunk,

by buying anything you need in the next two weeks of

Kleinmaier Bros.

Strictly One Price !

The New Prize Story

is eagerly sought for read with pleasure or disappointment is then tossed aside and forgotten But ladies who read of Dr Pierce's Favorite Prescription, read it again for they discover in it something to prize—a messenger of joy to those suffering from functional derangements or any of the painful disorders or weaknesses peculiar to their sex Periodical pains internal inflammation and ulceration readily yield to its wonderful curative and healing powers It is the only medicine for women, sold by druggists, under a positive guarantee from the manufacturers that it will give satisfaction in every case or money will be refunded This guarantee has been printed on bottle wrapper and faithfully carried out for many years

The House committee on elections has confirmed Speaker Carlisle's title to his seat There were two insurmountable objections to Mr Thoebe winning his case—he is not a Democrat, he is a working man

Cap C A Borella New York was cured of a 10 years case of piles by Palmer's Skin Success

The funeral of the late Mayor Holden of Zanesville was the largest ever held in the city All officials, societies and military organizations followed his body to the grave Sunday

Eruptions of the face scalp or body are quickly and positively cured by Skin Success Ointment Preserve the Skin perfect with Skin Success Soap

Eva Rising of Cincinnati sues Andrew Derrick for $10 000 breach of promise damages He is a widower and she is a buried one hubby so the case promises to be quite loving

These Pimples and Skin disorders will rapidly vanish when you use Skin Success soap and ointment

Rev Johnson a Campbellite preacher, jailed at Greenville and indicted for adultery A year ago he deserted his wife and eloped with a wealthy Palestine girl

Success is the best measure of Success " Skin diseases absolutely vanish before Skin Success Ointment Physicians recommend the new Skin Success Soap as a leading help

It is said that Editor Woods aspires to sink some cash and gain lots of experience in a proposed one cent daily in Toledo He probably relies on that bust le to buoy him up

Myriads of Cures eczema and all skin diseases by Skin Success and Skin Success soap

Saturday was one of the pleasantest days we have enjoyed for weeks the air during the afternoon being positively balmy and spring like Yet such a condition might have been predicted The cold wave flag was up

School Examinations.

The School Examiners of Marion county Ohio will meet for the examination of teachers

January 28th
February 11th
February 25th
March 10th
March 24th

Examination will commence at 9 a m and no application will be received after 10 a m All examinations will be written and positively no private examinations will be granted A fee of 50 cents will be charged each applicant to the examination and each applicant will furnish an envelope stamped and addressed to himself or herself in which a certificate or notice of failure will be forwarded Applicant will be graded on a scale of 10 No certificate will be granted when the grade in any branch of study falls below 5 An average of

7	secures a Certificate for 1 year
8	"
8¾	" 3
9½	4
10	5

Four terms experience also will be necessary in order to obtain No 2 and two terms to obtain No 3 Knowledge of the theory and practice of teaching special preparations for the work and success in the school room will also have an influence in determining the grade of certificate

H G YOUNG
W A SAGER
LEWIS RANCK
Examiners

Senator Payne during the sessions of Congress, spends his considerable time chewing the ends of a string It is a way he has of securing the proof of the pudding

Remarkable Surgery

The science of surgery has made such wonderful progress in modern times, that the most intricate and delicate operations are now undertaken and carried to a successful issue There are now several well authenticated cases of what is known as pneumotomy that is to say, the removal of diseased portions of the lungs in cases of consumption While, however, this delicate operation has sometimes been successfully performed, the risks attending it are so great and the chances of recovery so slight, that it is seldom resorted to The safest plan in consumptive cases is to use Dr Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery This will always cure the disease in its earlier stages, thoroughly arresting the ravages of the terrible malady by removing its cause and healing the lungs

When Michael Schwab, in Joliet, heard that the remains of the dead anarchists would likely be cremated he merely looked up from his kitchen task and said softly Peace to their hashes

A smooth and healthy skin results from the use of Skin Success Ointment in cutaneous affections Use in connection with Skin Success Soap

A party by the name of Arbuckle has been elected president of an Ohio county fair association We presume the display of rabbits will be large at the coming exhibition

All Skin and Scalp diseases of children and adults are quickly cured by Skin Success Ointment Use with it, that most reliable Skin preservative Skin-Success Soap

A REPORTER'S STORY.

IT IS ABOUT A STARVING FAMILY IN THE METROPOLIS

The Mother Sends Her Child Out to Beg in the Streets of New York—A Sad Tale with a Happy Ending—A Severed Family and Its Reunion

[Special Correspondence.]

NEW YORK, Jan 9.—I SHALL never forget an incident that occurred to me in my early journalistic experience, said an old gentleman at the Press club the other evening to a party of reporters who were interchanging their professional reminiscences.

I had been detailed by the managing editor of the paper to which I was then attached to attend a meeting somewhere up town—which then, by the way, was anywhere south of Union square—and was returning to the office through one of the narrow streets that are common on the east side of the city, when a childish figure emerged from the shadow of a building, and a faint girlish voice said piteously: "Please, sir, please—only a penny."

The night was cold and tempestuous, the wind driving a sleety rain, and it was something unusual to find a beggar stirring in such a storm. Besides, there was an indescribable plaintiveness in the tone, and as it arrested my attention I saw before me a little child apparently about 12 years of age, wrapped in an old tattered garment that might once have been a cloak, but now a mere cover of rags. Her look was one of utter despair, and a glance at the pinched features showed that the little one had seen better days.

"Why, my child," I said to her encouragingly, "what has brought you out on such a night as this? Where do you live?"

"Oh, sir, I'm not a beggar," she replied, looking up into my face and bursting into tears, "and I don't feel the cold, but brother's sick and we've no wood to make a fire. None of us have had anything to eat since yesterday, and what can we do? Father's in jail and—and"—she could go no further, and bursting into tears, sobbed as if her young heart would break.

Telling the little girl to lead the way, I went home with her to see what could be done if her story proved true. It was one of the oldest and poorest quarters in the city. The houses around were rusty with age, and on either side of the narrow street the tottering frames leaned against each other as if for mutual support. Here and there a solitary candle glimmered through a broken blind, but it only served to make the darkness darker, and even the gas lights, few and far between, flickered in the whirling gusts of wind.

The child stopped in front of a small two story house and, bidding me follow, crept up a rickety stairway and stole noiselessly into a room. The apartment was low and dingy, the floor bare, and a bed, chair and broken table constituted the furniture. Heat and light, such as they were, came from a few bits of wood smoldering in the grate. It was the old, old story of hard grinding poverty, in which the pawnbroker had played the chief part, and the sequel was starvation and death.

That which first attracted my attention, however, was the wasted form of a little boy some 6 or 7 years of age, whose glassy eyes and hollow cheeks plainly told that he was in the clutch of the fell destroyer and the end was not far off. A woman cleanly but scantily clad, with a child in her arms, was sitting by the bedside and gazing wistfully into his face, as only a mother can look who sees her best beloved drifting helplessly away on the tide, but even amid this deep grief it was impossible not to observe that she was gentle and refined, and once had been beautiful.

A moment sufficed to show the necessity for instant relief, and with a word or two of consolation and encouragement I took the little girl to a neighboring grocery. Making my errand known and mentioning the name of my paper, which by the way proved to be an open sesame, the good natured proprietor at once filled a basket with such articles of food as were immediately useful, including wood and coal, two or three extra blankets were obtained, and a man sent to render such assistance as might be necessary to make the family temporarily comfortable. On my return an hour later a cheerful fire was blazing in the grate, the little patient was enjoying the luxury of an orange, wine and jellies were on the table by his side, and the other members of the household had partaken of what to them was a rare substantial meal. "Oh mother! if father were only here," murmured the lad, "we might be almost as happy as we used to be in our nice house in the country."

A question or two elicited the story of the family trouble. It was just such a tale of misfortune as befall thousands every year in our large cities. The father was a well to do architect in Albany and had lived in ease and comfort. In an evil moment, however, he was induced to invest his savings in a speculative building enterprise, and an unexpected depreciation of property following,

THE FATHER WENT ONLY [illegible]

both he and his partner were ruined. He [illegible] ... but unable to meet [illegible] ... [illegible] ... With the approach of winter their sufferings increased. The little boy became sick, and as [illegible] ... [illegible] day [illegible] ... with [illegible] the household articles were [illegible] the pangs of hunger [illegible] with all its [illegible] ... evening [illegible] and if this so desperate [illegible] the broken [illegible] was prepared to lie down and [illegible]. Yet she said in concluding her story, "God, you see, has heard our prayer and sent [illegible] kind to the [illegible] heaven [illegible]."

It was with a heavy heart that I took my departure that night, but it was coupled with a [illegible] to restore the husband to his family if possible, and through him find means for permanent relief. The next morning I called upon a professional friend and related the circumstances. His sympathies [illegible] own were at once enlisted. Pausing [illegible] he said: "Did you not state that the creditor's name was Batch—John Batch?"

"I did."

"Then," he replied, joyously, "I have it." [illegible] a pocket he took down a paper and continued: "Batch is defendant in a suit brought by an estate which I represent, and the case has been decided against him. Judgment has been entered, and the money which he will have to pay will be mine for services rendered. That he will be glad to surrender the notes of this poor man as a part payment I have not a doubt, and, if you please, I will enter satisfaction and trust to the poor fellow's ability to pay hereafter. At any rate he shall be free today."

As I [illegible] I had no difficulty in arranging the business with Batch according to the plan agreed upon, and late that evening I again visited the poverty stricken home to make the wife and mother acquainted with the good news. I was also accompanied by a physician, whose skill I hoped would restore the little sufferer to health, but I saw at a glance when I entered the room the boy that it was a case beyond hope. The doctor whispered to me that he was in the last stages of [illegible]. [illegible] in fact, too, some [illegible] conscious that the sands of life had nearly run out. Even as we sat there the boy was dying.

Suddenly a wondering expression passed over his face and he half started up in bed and gazed around wildly. "George, my love, don't you know me?" sobbed the mother. "Oh mother, [illegible] I thought I saw such strange sweet faces, stars and lovely rivers, and such bright angels beckoning to me. I must have been dreaming. But where is father? Didn't the gentleman tell us he was coming? Why don't he hurry? Am I dying, mother? Take me in your arms, and let me lay my head upon your bosom as I used to do when I was a baby like Charlie. Now kiss me, mother. But where's father? Oh, why isn't he here to tell me good by?"

Not a voice could answer, for we were all in tears. Even the old physician, used as he was to such scenes, could not conceal his emotion. "When I am gone," the lad continued, speaking now with difficulty, "bury me in the country in some spot like that where she was [illegible] and and—" But instead of finishing the sentence his wandering thoughts reverted to his absent father and he murmured [illegible] anxiously toward the door: "Father! [illegible] father, do do come [illegible]," and then he sank exhausted upon his mother's bosom. For a moment we thought all was over, he lay so still. After a long breath he started, again opened his eyes, and looking up eagerly exclaimed: "Hark! I hear him. He's [illegible] on the stairs!" And raising his wan hand as if listening: "It's father."

IT'S FATHER!

While the words were on his lips the door flew open and the parent, so long expected, accompanied by my friend the lawyer, entered the room. "My boy! my darling son!" sobbed the strong man, his frame shaking with grief. It was all he could say. "Father [illegible] ... [illegible]," murmured the dying child. "How cold it is. [illegible] ... father, mother, [illegible]." And with a smile and a long sigh the young life had run its course and gone out to the God who gave it. The awful hush of death that fell upon the room was only broken by the old physician as he lifted his eyes to heaven and said devoutly: "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away; blessed be the name of the Lord." But the veil must drop.

We buried the little fellow as he requested, in the country, where the birds could build their nests and sing above him. And the father and mother? A new life began for them. A comfortable home was provided, and when their sad story became known good men and women gathered around them as friends. Through the influence of the lawyer and the old physician the late architect was re-established in his profession, business poured in upon him, and [illegible] ... [illegible] ... the little girl who on that wintry night so pitifully exclaimed "Please, only a penny," [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] misfortune [illegible] of gold.

[illegible]

[illegible] New New York City

The upper end of Manhattan island above [illegible] ... [illegible] ... Hill to the Harlem [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] ... new New York. The downtown [illegible] of brownstone boxes seem dreary when one returns to them.—Chicago News.

LONDON'S ODD CORNERS.

HELEN CAMPBELL IN THE WORLD'S METROPOLIS

She Tells of Her Search for Something That Has Not Before Been Written Up—The Immensity of London—Something of Curious Old Kennington Common

[Special Correspondence.]

LONDON, Dec 28.—"Write about something that has never been written about before," were the final words of the genial editor whose eyes will search this record with jealous inquiry as to how far his injunction has been obeyed. That the recommendation carries a patent impossibility in its train will make no difference, nor the fact of the piling of centuries since the wisest and saddest of mankind wrote, "Of making of many books there is no end," but placed on record, before and after, as if in mockery of book makers through all time: "There is nothing new under the sun."

The modern editor believes with Napoleon the Great, however, that there is no such word as impossible, and that there is always an undiscovered inch or two to reward the patient seeker, and in one sense he is right, for no two pairs of eyes have ever seen the same sight at exactly the same visual or mental angle, and history, for this reason, is as susceptible of variation today as it has been since time began and will be till time ends.

My business, however, is not with history or its variations, save indirectly and in such degree as both are bound up in every foot of this old world in which the same human passions are almost the sole thing in common with the new. Yet the American who wakes for the first time on English soil, has a curious sense that this is the actual home and all that background from which he has emerged an accident, but not the real living, not to be quite real till full knowledge of this first possession has become a part of it. It is certain too that the American knows the treasures of the past very far beyond the Londoner of today, who, unless made of exceptional stuff, regards deep interest in anything as very bad form, and gazes with supercilious inquiry at the eager tourist. And as tourists are of many orders, and a portion at least elect to agree with their critic and regard London simply as a spot in which living during the season may be possible, but not one moment beyond the end of that mysterious and intangible boundary, hence it follows that for many the real London remains unknown, its treasures of art and association and all that makes our common inheritance a sealed book.

This division may be left quite out of the question, their mission being chiefly to belittle the word American and to give an added ground to the conviction held by a large proportion of English people, that American and snob are inevitable synonyms. The fabulous expenditure of money, the assurance, the push, the utter obtuseness of many has graven the impression in lines too deep for any present effacement, and it is only the knowledge that below this surface the essential elements of each country are mingling more and more, and that unison of thought and feeling on vital points is more and more actual, that prevents utter discouragement at some of the outward aspects.

It is not then the chance tourist who is likely to know London, or any of its corners, odd or otherwise. Its immensity alone prevents anything but a bird's eye view to the tarrier of a day or a week, and it is only when one has settled down quietly to daily life and suddenly realizes how much has been taken in by unconscious absorption, that real understanding begins and one becomes fitted to search for the odd corners. These are not necessarily what have found summary in guide books or been chronicled even as individual discoveries by adventurous tourists. They may be hidden deep in the network of lanes and alleys and courts that make up the city proper, in its old use, or may face the seekers at the very next turn in a region where nothing was expected, and prove sources of unending pleasure and satisfaction.

Under this last head comes the corner from which the present letter is sent out and from which daily excursions are made, long or short, as the case may be, but all fruitful of results, picturesque and otherwise. Chiefly otherwise, save here and there, for the Surrey side of the river is given over to many industries, in which small room can be found for that word, or any other holding hint of much satisfaction to the eye. The most pleasing feature of life on the Surrey side is the fact that one or the other of London's beautiful bridges must be crossed to reach it. It may be London bridge, on which the feet instinctively move to the old tune,

London bridge is broken down
Dance over my Lady Lee—

or Waterloo, the "Bridge of Sighs," from which how many hundreds "weary of breath, rashly importunate," have gone to their death, or Blackfriars, with the most perfect view known to the city of St Paul's and its soaring dome, rising high and calm above the tumult and fret of the busy throng below, or Westminster, fairest of all, on which Wordsworth stood in the early morning and as he gazed, fell out line by line, the perfect sonnet known to all:

Earth has not anything to show more fair
The river glideth at his own sweet will,

as gently now as on that morning in the second year of the century, but there is little to assure us that the scene is the same. The smokeless air long ago gave way to that pall which hangs over London, obscures and clings to every sculptured point of tower or pinnacle, and is the medium in which one must live and move and have his being in all days that London life is lived. There are battles royal between vapors and sun, and the masses above the abbey towers and the beautiful houses of parliament take on strange shapes and hues as that much perplexed and baffled luminary struggles through its sunset and for a few moments asserts his right to rule. But he has short space. Crimson and gold give way to gray and blue, and gray and black are the London colors and make up chiefly what the Londoner is pleased to call sky.

It is because larger possibilities of more agreeable shades lie about such names as Clapham common, Camberwell green and the many cheerful titles discoverable on omnibus and tram that search for a home on the Surrey side began. [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] ... the greens and commons [illegible] no less beguiling. [illegible] far away from one of them, but he, too, added the dead cedars about the old house, the chief hint of the nature without which he cannot live, and far beyond the city stretched with it defilement for both sky and earth.

It was on the way back that the one possible corner in all the wilderness of traffic presented itself.

"Kennin'ton gate! Kennin'ton Park gate!" called the driver, dropping his g's with the same facility with which he bestrewed the ground with his h's, and, behold! there were trees and a stretch of greensward, and an ivy covered lodge, and long lines of bright flowers. Here was rest, if only momentary, for smoke filled eyes, and a few minutes' walk disclosed something so nearly like repose that the thought of leaving it was heart breaking. A little street showed itself, facing the upper and most secluded end of the park, each house with its one private bit of green in front. Better still, it proved "no thoroughfare," that magic word, which is the only exclusion of cabs and carts. A garden ended it, a gray old house just visible among the trees, and further investigation showed other gardens at the back and a breath of purity and freshness in the air. Entrance must be had by any means short of murder, and not even the British householder can stand against a determined woman. The place, or its most attractive point, was carried by immediate assault, and in twenty-four hours life was as settled as if under way, in the same circumstances, a good ten years.

It would be easy and pleasant to fill this column with one more description of life in lodgings, in this case of the most ideal order. But it is an old story for all of us, and needs no repetition, though never in any tale that is told did prettier maid, with eyes as soft and brown, and voice no less soft and lingering, answer to the name of Polly, or serve toast and tea in more perfect accord with the highest demands of both. But neither Polly nor the ideal house, nay, nor the street itself can be regarded as the corner which we are approaching by means which may perhaps be considered circuitous, but which are certain. It is the park itself that today stands for our first odd corner, and, as Kennington common, has seen sights as sad and strange, though in less degree, as Tower hill itself. For beginning as open ground for skittle playing and such other diversions as the inhabitants about it might choose, it ended, like many another playground of merry England, as spot for gallows and stake. It burned a martyr or two, and saw sundry whippings and exposures in the pillory. It had its stocks also for the punishment of common offenders, and in 1746 came the gallows, and the execution of nine men, known then as traitors, but held by a later generation to deserve as truly the name of patriots. Few stories are sadder than that of one of them, the youngest of the number, whose fate Shenstone has commemorated in a popular ballad.

"Jemmy Dawson" was a young Lancashire gentleman of fortune, just engaged to be married. He and his fellow Jacobites, condemned to be hanged, drawn and quartered, were chained to the floor of Southwark jail, and drawn from there on sledges to the common, and then cast under the fatal tree, near which a butcher's block had been placed. I spare the reader the horrible details of the old chronicle, every one of which was watched with fearful fascination by the unhappy girl soon to have been a bride, who followed the procession in a coach. She bore it in silence till told her lover was no more, then drew her head back into the coach, and crying out "My dear, I follow thee! I follow thee! Sweet Jesus receive our souls together," fell on the neck of a companion and expired.

The record goes on: "Mr Dawson was a mighty gay gentleman, who frequented much the company of the ladies, and was well respected by all his acquaintance of either sex for his genteel deportment. He was as strenuous for their vile cause as any one in the rebel army. When he was condemned and double fettered, he said he did not care if they put a ton weight of iron on him, it would not in the least daunt his resolution."

The common had seen its throngs for a far different purpose. Congregations, sometimes of 40,000 people, gathered to listen to George Whitfield, who gave here his farewell sermon before leaving for America, writing thus in his diary for Friday, Aug 3, 1739:

"Having spent the day in completing my affairs and taking leave of dear friends, I preached in the evening to near 20,000 people at Kennington common. I chose to discourse on St Paul's parting speech to the elders of Ephesus, at which the people were exceedingly affected, and almost prevented my making any application. Many tears were shed when I talked of leaving them. I concluded with a suitable hymn, but could scarce get to the coach for the people thronging me to take me by the hand and give me a parting blessing."

A century later, in 1848, the old common, then transformed to park, though the old inhabitants still cling to the former title, became world known through the great revolutionary meeting of Chartists under Feargus O'Connor, a determined attempt to secure that free speech the right to which is again in question today. Kennington park, with its high railings, its uniformed officials and its gates closed before sunset, is speaking ground no longer, and not even Whitfield himself could set aside the mandate of policeman and beadle. But who shall say that its hosts do not still move among us, and that the shadowy faces of martyrs for faith and of political martyrs may not look upon the councils of club and secret meeting held again to ask where free speech and its rights have vanished, and walk side by side with men who, even in this faithless present, believe there are causes worth dying for? A mistaken faith it may be. That question remains for the future to settle. But now, as in that earlier day, the question is asked and one answer at least is plain for now as then:

Count me o'er earth's chosen heroes—they were souls that stood alone
While the men they agonized for hurled the contumelious stone,
Stood serene, and down the future saw the golden beam incline
To the side of perfect justice, mastered by their faith divine,
By one man's plain truth to manhood and to God's supreme design.

HELEN CAMPBELL.

The Cheap Visiting Card

Nothing so easily lowers the social status of a woman whose position is already assured as a cheap visiting card. It is a fact that a card enters into the social economy of every woman, and when a lady receives one from a visitor, it indicates to a certain extent what degree of refinement she has reached. Every house has its card basket, and ladies have a peculiar way of looking over the names contained therein and making comments. In truth it is natural to do so. Try yourself on your own card basket and see if you do not become critical. I have had one or two cases where a caller handed in a printed card, and it came as a shock. Such a thing has long gone out of date, and a printed card would be the height of impropriety. Also, if I received a large card I would consider it improper. The greatest care should be exercised by ladies in the selection of visiting card. Only the best engraving in neat script letter press is allowed. A married lady always puts Mrs. or Miss on her card, and it is now the proper thing for gentlemen to put Mr. on their cards.—Globe-Democrat.

SOCIETY AT WASHINGTON.

THE SEASON'S OPENING—SOME COMING EVENTS

The Ladies of the Cabinet—Mrs. Don M. Dickinson in Detroit and Washington—Changes in New Year's Customs—Something About Washington Punch

[Special Correspondence.]

WASHINGTON, Jan 9.—New Year's day passed off with all the flourish of one of Wagner's operas. There was the beating of the society drum and the whistling of the society fife, and we are now in the midst of one of the liveliest seasons in our history. It is only six weeks until Lent, and the wining and the dining and courting and cooing must be all crowded into that short season.

There are a number of heiresses here this winter, and Senator Stanford has a bevy of girls from the Pacific slope about him. The majority of the new senators are rich, and not a few have daughters with them. Senator Paddock can give his two girls nice marriage portions, and Senator Quay is by no means ill heeled. Don Cameron's little girl will probably own her own house at least, if she marries poor, and as for the daughters of Sherman, Evarts, Waite and a score of others they are by no means badly off, either in this world's beauty or in the prospect of this world's goods.

Washington society girls are noted for their brightness, and there is no place in the world where the social grindstone tends so much to sharpen a lady's wits. The contact with the greatest statesmen of the country, the mingling with the noted authors and litterateurs who make Washington their winter home, and the introduction to the lions of the world who assemble here each winter, keep the young brain on the go, and if there is anything in it, either of repartee or thought, it is sure to be brought out. The girl has to keep well posted as to the men she meets, too, or she will be liable to ask some ridiculous questions, as, for instance, "Whether Sam Randall is in the house or senate," or "whether Gen Sheridan was a commander of cavalry or infantry."

Such interrogatories would, of course, be unpardonable if made to the gentlemen above spoken of, but they are no more out of the way than that which a supposedly well read woman made to Howells, the novelist, last year, when she asked him what books he had written, and remarked that his conversation was so fluent that she really thought that he could write for the newspapers. Another lady asked Commodore Schley, of Arctic fame, what noted thing he had done, and one of the humorous editors greatly insulted Winfield Scott Hancock by asking him "whether he belonged to the army or navy."

The danger of such mistakes keeps the fresh society girls alive. They read up on the men they have to meet, and they learn to give "taffy" as well as do the diplomats. This taffy giving and compliment paying, which prevails to so large an extent in Washington society, invariably attracts the attention of the stranger in Washington. It is, however, a custom which prevails in all court society the world over, and one which the politest of nations most affects. Indeed, "taffy" is the grease which makes the wheels of society run smoothly, and a little lying of this kind will undoubtedly be pardoned. It is just as easy to say "You are looking well," as "Damn you eyes!" and the first remark is always better received.

Don M. Dickinson promises to be quite an addition to the cabinet circle, and the change to him from Lamar, which comes about indirectly by Vilas taking the interior portfolio, will be well liked. Secretary Lamar has never entertained to any extent, and his wife is rather retiring than otherwise. Mrs. Dickinson is a tall, stately woman, with brown hair and dark brown eyes. She is one of the leading society women of Detroit, which is a city that pays considerable attention to social observances. Her home on Fort street is a magnificent mansion, and she and Mr Dickinson have been noted as society people. They have now taken a house on Farragut square, in Washington, which is about three squares from the White House, and is in the most fashionable quarter of the city. Senator Stanford lives very near them, and the Russian minister is just across the way. Mrs Whitney is only a step on the other side, and Mrs. Dickinson will find many a noted neighbor with whom she can gossip without danger of getting her feet wet by a long tramp, or the necessity of ordering out her carriage.

Mrs Vilas is not yet very strong, and it is a good deal of a question whether she will be able to remain in Washington society this winter or not. The tour she took with the president, with its series of accidents, was a shock to her nervous system, and she thinks some of going back to Madison, Wis., before the season is over. Miss Mollie Vilas has been spending the holidays here, and she has enjoyed her boarding school vacation.

Secretary Lamar went south for Christmas, and I am told by one of his intimate friends that he has decided not to board this winter, and that Mrs. Lamar will spend much of the season in the south. I don't imagine she is very fond of the rush and tear of Washington society, and the secretary himself likes a quiet life.

Secretary Bayard's daughters are to do the honors of his home this winter, and his daughter Nellie has been spending the holidays here. Mrs Secretary Fairchild will probably entertain considerably during the season. She has one of the biggest houses in Washington, and there is enough glass in her conservatories to roof a country court house. These conservatories face the south, and they will be turned, I venture, into promenade corridors during the winter. The sun is very warm here, even now, and you do not feel the need of a fire when you have a glass room with a southern exposure.

Mrs Whitney and the secretary intend to give a number of entertainments, and they will have some friends here with them during the season. Willie Vanderbilt, the son of one of the millionaire Vanderbilts of New York, has been spending the holidays with the Whitney boys, and I can tell you the youngsters have as strong voices and as ardent Christmas imaginations as you will find in boys of poorer parentage. The little Whitneys "hung up their stockings" about the wide mantel of the gorgeous fireplace in the grand ball room, and it is needless to say that they did not find them empty in the morning.

The White House is going to boom in a social way, and the president's dinners have already begun. The house is being decorated gorgeously with flowers, and the palates of the guests are tickled with terrapin and champagne. Thursday has been chosen as the day of ceremony during the season, and every Thursday until Lent will be taken up by a celebration at the White House. We will have a diplomatic reception next week, and the week following the foreign ministers will break bread around the White House table. On Jan 26 the congressmen and senators will be formally received, and on Feb 2 the fat old justices of the supreme court will dine with the president. A week later will be the army and navy reception, and on Tuesday, Feb 14, and just as Lent begins the dear public will come en masse to the White House. Mrs Cleveland will hold her receptions on Saturday afternoons.

In addition to these there may be some other receptions at the White House, and there will be a lot of quiet little dinners at which other things than the current gossip of the day will make up the conversation. Some of the biggest political schemes are laid at dinner tables, and foreign governments think so much of these court dinners that they give their ministers a fund for entertaining. The Russian minister has such a fund, and the minister from England has a big house here which was bought for his occupancy by his government. It is so with a number of other legations, and political wire pulling goes on about the tables of the members and senators as well. Not long ago the seat of one of the leading members of the United States senate was in question. It was charged that the senator had used money corruptly to obtain his election, and his friends here wined and dined his brother senators of both parties, hoping thereby to make friends of them. Whether the charges as to the buying of votes were true or not I don't know. I am sure that the senator himself is too honest a man to have had anything to do with such methods personally, but, at any rate, the wining and the dining had their influence, and he held his seat without trouble.

There were fewer New Year's calls this year than last, and the custom of calling seems to be falling into a case of "innocuous desuetude." Some ladies received, but few cards were used by gentlemen, and as to pictorial New Year's cards they are almost out of vogue. It is now the popular fad to use only your name, putting "Mr." before it, and the words "Happy New Year" are left off by most gentlemen.

The custom of serving wines at New Year's is also undergoing a change, and there was not so much of it this year as last, and less last year than the year before. The worst article served, however, is this delicious Washington punch, which tickles your palate while it steals away your brains and makes you feel like a god while you act like a fool. I have before me a new recipe for this punch as it was used by Surg Gen Barnes, and you may see, if you will test it, that my words are correct. It is called "Regents' punch," and it is a royal article. Take the juice of six lemons, one pound of loaf sugar, one pound of currant jelly, half a pint of strong green tea, hot, and dissolve the jelly in the hot tea. Then take one quart of Jamaica rum (the older and stronger the better), one jug of curacoa, and two bottles of old brandy. Mix these harmless articles together, and when it is served add plenty of ice. Then add one quart of champagne—extra dry—for each half gallon of punch, slice a couple of oranges very thin and drop them on the top of the liquid, and you will have a drink that would have delighted Bacchus, and that, had Alexander the Great begun with it instead of wine, would have killed him off long before he had conquered the world.

Another punch much used is champagne punch, and this is somewhat similar in its construction, but fully as insidious in its effects. Take a pound of loaf sugar, a pint of strong black tea, the juice of four oranges and six lemons, and two bottles of champagne. Add to these a half pint of old brandy and ice to your taste.

Mrs. Gen Ricketts' punch was somewhat different, but equally strong, and her recipe has been copied by many a society lady, and the punch has been drunk by thousands of old stagers. I have one which provides for a gallon and three quarters of very nice liquor. It is to take three quarts of boiling water, three pounds of sugar, and add to these one pint of lemon juice, one pint of brandy or two pints of Jamaica rum. Mix these well together, then stir in one pint of peach brandy or cordial. This drink is one which none but an old soaker had better attempt, and, like the two recipes above given, you will be better off if it is in some other stomach than your own.

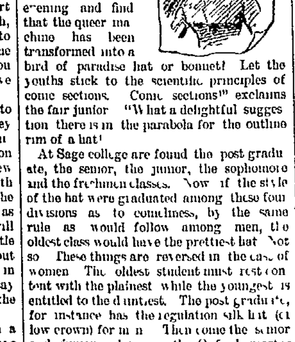
THOMAS J. TODD.

PRETTY STUDENTS' HEAD DRESSES

How the "Co-Eds" of Cornell Adorn Their Craniums

[Special Correspondence.]

NEW YORK, Jan 9.—At Ithaca just now the ladies of Sage college (Cornell university) are vying with the masculine undergraduates in the matter of class hats. If this rivalry is to go on the young men would better resign themselves to the ordinary derby or silk hat, for there are some things women can do better than men and one of these is the arrangement of head gear. What husband of moderate means has not at some time left his wife at home in the morning, seated by the window, with a framework which might do for the skeleton of a boat or the model of a chimney pot, to return in the evening and find that the queer machine has been transformed into a bird of paradise hat or bonnet! Let the youths stick to the scientific principles of conic sections. "Conic sections!" exclaims the fair junior. "What a delightful suggestion there is in the parabola for the outline rim of a hat!"



At Sage college are found the post graduate, the senior, the junior, the sophomore and the freshmen classes. Now if the style of the hat were graduated among these four divisions as to comeliness, by the same rule as would follow among men, the oldest class would have the prettiest hat. Not so. These things are reversed in the case of women. The oldest student must rest content with the plainest, while the youngest is entitled to the daintiest. The post graduate, for instance, has the regulation silk hat (or low crown) for men. Then come the senior and junior classes with Oxford mortar boards, the senior wearing a somber black tassel, while the junior dons peacock purple. The sophomore wears something like a Tam o' Shanter, the color of whose tassel is nearer the other end of the spectrum they are all studying, and gleams a bright red. But the daintiest of all these hats is reserved for the freshman of sweet sixteen. It may be called a drooping mortar board, the board of which is not a board at all, but bends gracefully at the corners, and wilts under a tassel of gold, secured by a purple plush button. Why should the little freshman care to climb the three higher rounds in the university ladder? Why may she not always remain in the youngest class?

J. R. S.

The Matter of Slang

"Miss F[illegible]," said one of the pupils of an [illegible] boarding school for young ladies to the principal, "we want to ask you a question before we recite."

"Certainly, my dears, ask as many as you like."

"Would one of we girls ever be justified in using slang?"

"You certainly would not," replied Miss H[illegible], with quiet firmness.

"We frequently hear educated and cultivated people employ it in their conversation," [illegible] the young lad[y].

"That may be only too true, but it is no excuse. We cannot fall into all the ways [illegible] by even the so called educated and [illegible]. For my own part," continued the principal, as she sat up very straight on the [illegible] chair and glanced at the text book she held in her hand and again raising her eyes, "for my part I will allow the [illegible] to whistle through my whiskers [illegible] time before I will indulge in the use of slang."—Chicago Tribune.

Stray Jokes

When a man becomes firmly convinced that his [illegible] it is then that the fringe slowly [illegible] to form on the bottom of his trousers [illegible] Truth.

The [illegible] who imagines that his existence [illegible] necessary to the movement of the world is generally buried in a pine coffin without trimmings.—Nebraska State Journal.

[illegible] Nast, the caricaturist, was unable to [illegible] Bismarck, as it was impossible to get the hall in which the lecture was to be given. It must be a pretty cold day when [illegible] can't draw a house.—Norristown Herald.

[illegible] has a parrot that prays and [illegible] a missionary among the countless [illegible] and fallen of his race.—Martha's Vineyard Herald.

"If you saw the man rifling your trousers," said the magistrate to whom a citizen had complained of being robbed, "why didn't you grapple with him?" "Well, you see, your honor," said the citizen, "I was afraid of waking up my wife, an' she's the darndest coward about burglars you ever see."—The Epoch.

The occasional contributor dropped into the sanctum recently. Seated at the desk was a [illegible] browed tramp printer. "Are you the [illegible] editor?" softly inquired the visiting contributor. "Nay," answered the apparition, poising a proof slip in his delicately discolored digits, "I am the calf editor. Do you wish to be edited?"—Washington Critic.

There is a restaurant waiter in Lincoln who deserves to be honored. A patron said to him yesterday, "Waiter, pass me those molasses," and he replied, "How many?"—Lincoln (Neb.) Journal.

Two New York electricians have invented a flying machine. As both of the inventors are still alive, of course they have not yet practically tested their contrivance.—Norristown Herald.

The secret is out at last. The elevated railroad guards call out the stations in Volapuk.—New York Tribune.

A Lucky Trip

"What have you been doing for a living lately?" asked a very tough looking cit of a man who looked as if he might be a boon companion.

"Burglarizing."

"What was your last job?"

"I tackled the residence of a real estate agent last night."

"Have any luck?"

"Yes, first rate."

"What did you get?"

"I got away without buying a house and lot."—Merchant Traveler.

Out of the Frying Pan, Etc.

Husband (with a sigh of relief)—New Year's at last! Thank Heaven! No more presents to buy, no more bills to pay. No more "father, buy me this, or father, buy me that," no more, "John, dear, can you let me have some money, there's lots to buy." It is over. A few more days and I should have been bankrupt. But the crisis has passed, the night is gone, the morn is breaking, the——

Wife (entering the room)—John, dear, the coal bin is empty.—Boston Courier.

The Cockles of the Heart

Husband—Well, my dear, have you enjoyed the Christmas holidays?

Wife—Oh, so much, John, and I feel so grateful to the many dear friends who so thoughtfully remembered me. Ah, John, it is earth's winter time, but the glorious summer of the heart!

Husband—Have you been out to-day?

Wife—For a little while. I went down town to dispose of some of my duplicate Christmas gifts.—New York Sun.

Changed His Mind

"Have a cigar, Charley?"

"Don't care if I do."

"Some that my wife gave me for a Christmas present."

"[illegible] come to think of it, Tom, I guess I don't feel like smoking today."—Boston Transcript.

LOCAL NEWS.

—The Bee Line pay car made the boys a welcome visit on Wednesday

—Miss Carrie Bond, of LaRue, is visiting Miss Jessie Pettit, on East street

—Miss Kittie Thew spent the past week with Mr and Mrs Darling in Columbus

—Judge Criswell was at Columbus, on Thursday, attending a State meeting of Probate Judges

—Charles Collins and Miss Carrie Furrows were married on the 14th inst, by Rev A D Matthews

—The City Hall floor hardly cools from one dance to another nowadays Four nights in one week are a good many

—The sale of the east Center street property to Thompson and Kling for $5250 cash is the largest land sale effected in Marion through the land agency of Chase & Hunter

—A well informed contractor says there are more houses already contracted for erection next season than were ever before thought of at this season of the year This is without gas too

—The New Garden City Dance club opened the season at the City Hall on Thursday night with an attendance of thirty or forty couple The Citizens' orchestra gave good satisfaction

—Sam Hume with his usual eye to business talks of starting a lunch and peanut stand out at the Geddis gas well These cold days a little fire water would find a ready sale among the visitors there

—Hoberman's drug store is gas headquarters and on Thursday evening the place was packed with enthusiasts anxious to hear all they could George Christian appropriately named the place 'Gas Liars' Exchange ' but we are a little careful in quoting him since our reference to the loafers made so many sore

—Ah ha! Richard you have grievously erred! Mr Isaac Merchant a Commissioner of Marion county's says the comp of fer to George Christian was only a jest The Commissioners are great jokers, and this was only one of their funny spasms Every STAR reader is hereby informed that they were only in fun Funny joke!

—'Our Jonathan' attracted a very fair sized audience to Music Hall on Wednesday night and everybody was well pleased Indeed, all were agreeably surprised at the merit of the show and the whole audience laughed from the opening till the close Of course, there were exceedingly weak places, and they were unpleasant but on the whole good satisfaction was given

—Miss Genevra L Johnston surprised her parents by calling from the 11 o'clock train until 6 o clock train on C, H V and T, on her return to Chicago from Cleveland where she sang on the of 17th Mrs O C Smith, of Toledo by a private arrangement with Miss Neva came down that night and played dummy on J C and Mrs Johnston so as to make the surprise more complete

—Charles A Gardner in 'Karl," is among the early coming attractions booked for Music Hall Though "Karl' is an old play it has improved with age, and a Marion audience has never seen it It is a big attraction and will fill Music Hall, then we hope to see Col Christian go home smiling with a better determination than to make a livery stable out of our only place of amusement

—George Ludwig of Union township, Hancock county, is the owner of a cow which gave birth to a calf with two distinct and well formed heads which contain two eyes each, mouth and other double features The calf is apparently in good health and likely to live as it takes nourishment from its mother with both heads using the mouth of one head for a time and then changes to the other It has two throats both leading, however, into the same stomach, and all in all is a strange freak of nature

—President Cody, of the Philadelphia Pipe Works Co, was in this city last week and assured some of our citizens that he could furnish a reliable company to take up the waterworks here, as Bullock has left them, pay off all debts and complete the job Mr Cody's company is the heaviest creditor and of course his word in the matter is reliable If Bullock doesn t begin work promptly with the opening of spring the Council can do the right thing by letting the American Waterworks Co step in and complete the job Their willingness to pay all debts is a move that makes their offer popular

Probate Court

Chas Collins and Carrie Furrow licensed to marry

Will of John Anderson dec'd, proven and admitted to probate and record

Hearing of petition of J A Merchant guardian of James Bowen, to sell ward's land Prayer granted and appraisment ordered

Hearing of exceptions to acc t of Joseph Cratty, administrator of the George Sutley estate Exceptions overruled, to which exceptors except

David F Robinson and Josie Maloney licensed to marry

David Young and Rachael Rubins licensed to marry

Will of Vesta M Hollis proven and admitted to probate and record

E A Finefrock adm r of the estate of Josiah Ennis, dec d, filed final account

J R Garberson adm r of the estate of Milton Pixley, dec'd filed petition for authority to compromise suit and sell notes

Joseph Cratty ex r of the estate of Rob t Cratty, returned order to sell personal property at private sale Property not sold

Marion Markets

The farmer will find the following prices paid for his products by Marion buyers, the list being corrected on Friday of each week

Wheat	80
Corn	50
Oats	30
Butter	16
Eggs	18
Lard	7
Cattle	3½
Hogs	5
Sheep	3½
Clover	4 00
Timothy	2 70
Potatoes	80
Coal (soft)	3 40@3 70
Coal (hard)	7 25@7 75

A TRIPLET OF ACCIDENTS

Chas Berringer Breaks His Arm, George O Neil Mashes a Foot and Brakeman Haddery Mashes a Hand

City Teamster Chas Berringer is now carrying his arm in a sling the result of a broken radius at the elbow joint Charley was attending to the horses in the usual manner when he slipped and fell with his full weight upon his left elbow The shock proved too much for the radius and it broke near the elbow Dr Hamilton was called and reduced the fracture and Charley is taking his misfortune as cheerfully as any one could, for he is about the streets as usual, but with a substitute driving the city team

George O Neil, one of the Bee Line freight force, was out in their yard Friday morning about nine o clock taking a register of the cars, and desiring to ride down to the depot he attempted to board a moving section of coal cars He placed each hand on the ends of adjacent cars and intended to swing in on the bumpers as railroad men often do but his strength failed him and he fell Fortunately his body struck outside the rail but his right foot was caught and one wheel of a light, empty coal car passed over it Luckily no bones were broken but his foot was split from the inner side of the big toe about three inches into his instep The Bee Line surgeon was called and insured George that the foot could be saved but that he would have a tedious and painful time of it

C and A brakeman, F J Haddery, was assisting in making up train 35, in the C and A yards about half past eight Thursday night when he caught his hand between the bumpers and both the index and middle finger were completely mashed and the ring finger badly bruised Drs Sweney and Rhu were called and amputated the index and middle fingers, but dressed the other injured one so it could be saved Haddery's home is in Huntington

The Last Coon Story

[Wyandot Chief]

A gang of lumbermen have been busily engaged in cutting timber on the farm of Gus Smith in Pitt township and one day recently when a large tree was felled a coon jumped from the branches as the tree struck the ground One of the workmen near by picked up a club and struck at the animal but missed it This undue familiarity on the part of the man didn't quite strike the coon as being the proper thing and it stood its ground and showed its teeth The man made another motion of bravado with his club and the coon jumped at him, fastening his teeth in the seat of the woodman's overalls, and there he clung with a tenacity commendable to a coon The man looked surprised jumped around several times as if to shake the animal loose from its hold and then thinking his time had come started on a terrible run, shouting as if all the demons of hell were pursuing him He shouted to his companions to rescue him—to take the darned thing off in language a little more emphatic however, still keeping his breck neck speed through the timber, the coon still hanging on A small party of men and a pack of dogs tried to catch the man and coon, and thus they chased around for nearly fifteen minutes when the coon released the man and smilingly sneaked away to some new retreat Two witnesses to the humorous chase say that 'that was the darndest scartest man they ever seed '

Real Estate Transfers

Wm N Clark to Martin Koch 40 acres in Scott tp, $1836 90

M Lucas to J and M F Beaver, 66¼ acres in Grand Prairie tp, $3600

P P Rubins to Wm Rubins, 60 acres in Grand tp, $2400

J H Wood to J C Walters and J W Knapp, ¼ acre in Big Island tp, $800

Reed & True to Geo H Kling 9 10 acre in Marion corp $2250

Same to W H H Thompson, 8-10 acre in Marion corp, $3000

Ida Orvis to Almira L Linsley 1 6 acre in Marion corp, $400

John Owens to Merritt Hauver 8¾ acres in Pleasant tp $600

Jacob Shults to Wm M Russell, 114 acres in Prospect tp, $7640

N C Hilford to Elizabeth Gast, out lot 2 in Prospect, $1500

Ben B Powell to Isaac Denman, 28 acres in Waldo tp, $1700

George E Melley to Ira Uhler to Anna M Melley, lot 832 in Marion, $500

Matilda Austin and A A Austin to Edward Burk, out lot 15 in Ballentine's add n to Marion, $600

E Hughes to B Olney, lot 859 in Marion $250

Chas Showers to Catharine J Hummer lot 691 in Marion, $1200

J S Reed to C Hagerman, part of lot 8 in east Marion, $400

Concerning Union Depots

All will agree that new depots are badly needed As to their location, there may easily be an honest difference of opinion

The question so far as the public is concerned, is what will be most convenient for the public generally—not what will 'boom' lots either east or west of town The head rager in favor of a union depot at Hocking Valley junction, has within two weeks argued in favor of buying out the present Huber Works and having a Grand Central depot extending from Main to East streets

The Black Diamond R'y, if built, (and delay of a few weeks will settle this) will have a depot in the east part of town A union depot of N Y, P and O, C, C, C and I and Black Diamond R'ys at any point from East street to near the present locations, and union depot west of Hocking Valley and C and A R'ys would centralize all the property between the two points add to the number of men to be employed in connection with the depots, hack lines etc, and a central union depot might prove more convenient to the majority of people in the town than to have it at one side

The question should be considered on all sides without regard to selfish interests and in a spirit of kindly harmony, so that however settled all parties can continue to unite in pushing forward the growth of Marion in all directions

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Bertha aged 12, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Dalton of Athens, was probably fatally injured by the explosion of a Chinese bomb which she had picked up on the asylum grounds during a display of fireworks there

A WONDERFUL WELL!

FORTUNE SMILES ON THE LAST ENDEAVOR TO FIND GAS

And the Geddis Well Is Truly a Wonder Undoubted Existence of Gas in Great Quantity, but Without It the Geyser Is Marvelous

Perhaps our fondest hopes have reached a fruitful termination indeed if they have not or are not shortly so rewarded then the endeavor to supply Marion with gas from the bowels of mother earth may as well cease There is that assurance, however, in the find at the Geddis well which is truly gratifying and lends to the firm belief that after all our growth is to be enhanced by what magic and real ammunition is afforded by natural gas

Early on Thursday John Geddis came to town and surprised the officers of the Marion Natural Gas company with the information that gas had been struck on his farm Since drilling had been in process less than a week the report was hard to believe, indeed many would not countenance it as truth in any form It was not long however, until J J Hume, H C Hoberman F J McMurray Wm Tees, D McWilliams L W Ireland Ben Kent and the STAR were driven over the rough road to the well, and seeing was believing—the most sanguine hopes were realized

What a grand sight met their eyes! The tall derrick towering seventy five feet high was literally covered with glistening sheets of ice from which hung the pendant cones freezing to larger proportions as the seething geyser splashed forth a turbulent stream from its inexhaustible fountain At 4 o clock a m the drillers had put in their pump to clean out the sediment, and, the moment it was extracted up came water mud and gas seemingly glad to find an opening from its uneasy confinement Of course, work stopped, as a necessity and in a few minutes the rushing stream was master of the place The strong vein of gas opened beneath an inexhaustible fountain of water poured fourth carrying before it a solid stream, eight inches in diameter, and splashing it far over the top of the tall derrick, until it froze its own roof and then the spray spread like gusts of rain

The vein was struck in limestone but whether of Trenton formation or not is uncertain, having come too sudden and unexpected to admit of any examination 'But is there gas ' asks the doubting ones and for an answer they must accept that theory or acknowledge the well a greater wonder than the great Western geysers The water smells strongly of gas and is barren of it in taste, and then no spring could throw such a stream Unquestionably a powerful pressure of gas is forcing the water out before it

A match applied to the stream of water and gas would have been very gratifying to the curiosity of the anxious bystanders but the better judgment of the drillers was against it—the leaping flame would soon have consumed the derrick There was interest enough as it was, however, to watch the stream gush forth, with a strange, more powerful upheaval at regular intervals five seconds apart, and these strange extra gushes, if that we may call them, make another evidence of gas as though the weight of the water would momentarily check its force and then break out afresh Then, too, the experienced drillers say it is gas, but whether in an inexhaustible quantity or not so near the surface is yet to be learned Nothing can be done at present in the way of casing off the water and some few days must elapse before the value of the well as a gaser is known

Whether the well is a good gaser or not it is truly a great find, and the spectator is awed at its grandeur when standing near it As compared to the Prospect well it is as New York to Prospect and the present force would throw a confined stream full two hundred feet in the air It is the property of the Marion Natural Gas Co and our citizens can rest assured that if Marion can be supplied with gas from that source we will have it with all its conveniences and fermenting influences to growth It is just about seven miles east of town, and the work of piping it here will be no difficult matter

LATER —The excitement has not abated in the least, and until later reports came in Friday morning the anxious ones were on the tiptoe of expectancy to know what result twenty four hours time had wrought Is there gas ? Does it continue to flow without diminution Where is its power ? What is the cause ? and a thousand like questions were eagerly asked and no matter who advanced a theory they found a respectful hearing

About 11 o clock the first news came in, and the information was that the flow of water had ceased some time in the night When the drillers visited the well early in the morning, the great ice palace did not present its live appearance A torch was soon applied, and the proof of gas came, and from early in the morning until the time we go to press the flame has kept burning varying in height from one to ten feet, averaging three feet The more conservative reports from the scores of visitors who were out are to the effect that the hundred foot hole is full of water and through that water the gas presses to the mouth of the well purified, and burns nicely Certainly, so much water lessens the noticeable pressure of gas and the merits of the discovery are truly uncertain

The old experienced drillers to whose views we are more willing to give credence, say the circumstance is an encouraging one that perhaps a fissure to some great reservoir of gas has only been tapped at so shallow a depth They say that a few strokes of the drill will demonstrate whether the well is one of water or gas undoubtedly the latter The quantity and inexhaustibility is a very uncertain matter A real gaser so near the surface is almost too good to be true hence the doubting Thomases

Time will bring forth developments that are certain The drillers are already at work endeavoring to clear the ice from the derrick and when that difficult feat is accomplished we can expect something of a satisfying nature In the meantime the situation is hopeful, indeed it is truly encouraging The proof to date has set at variance the theory that there was no gas and it will not be surprising to see the most sanguine hopes realized

The iced derrick and blazing gas present a sight well worth going to see but none must expect to feast their eyes on such a spectacle of grandeur as was presented to the early visitors Thursday The numerous vehicles going out from Marion are wearing the mud road into a very passable condition

NORMAL NOTES

The younger members of the school have organized a new society, called the Clios

Work has begun on Prof Yale's new residence just north of the school building

According to the revised program, recitations begin at 8 30 a m and chapel exercises at 4 p m

The Philomathean society will give an entertainment on next Friday evening, to which the public is cordially invited

Just think of one hour s instruction in penmanship twice a week, eight weeks for $1 Such are the terms of the class to begin next Monday evening

Last Sunday a Normal Sunday school was organized with the following officers Superintendent, Miss V Moore Assistant Superintendent, Mr W G Shute Secretary and Treasurer, E A Holverstott Librarian, Frank Campbell The school will meet in the Normal chapel every Sunday afternoon at 2 30 o clock

Waldo

Rev Kirts preached in the U B church last Sunday evening to a large and quiet audience He will be with us again the evening of the 21st inst

The Waldo Theatrical troupe have given three plays in the Township Hall and will in the near future give another play The way the people indorsed the play last Saturday by their presence and attention, was good evidence that home talent is good enough for any one The play needs no comment for it was nicely illustrated by efficient actors and we cannot do it justice with the pen There is a nice moral to be illustrated in this play which is well worth the money to see the course of time pictured in two hours entertainment

Mr Sim Culp who lives east of Waldo sold his farm to John Smith who joined farms for $5500 Mr Culp does not know what he will do yet, to locate in Ohio or Tennessee

The Waldo schools resumed work last Monday with an increased attendance The new year speaks well for our school Every thing is progressing nicely

Messrs Noah Jones and A B Gabler have moved to Tennessee They put their goods on a car at Marion, which was in all 13 common wagon loads Quite a lot of our neighbors of late have moved to Tennessee

Miss Mary Porterfield who was visiting her parents during the holidays, returned to school in Delaware last week

Jimmie Bensley, of Columbus, gave relatives a visit in this place during holidays

Miss Alice Crawford is visiting friends in Richwood at present

There was a social hop at Hen Huffman's last Friday evening Quite a number of Waldonians were in attendance

Mr G K Buller was called to Delaware last week to the bedside of his father, who was not expected to live He is convalescing slowly

Rev Turner of this place is holding a protracted meeting at Otterbein north of Prospect After the close of his meetings he intends to come to Waldo and try a protracted effort here

Mrs Lucy Stawson's old house looks quite lonesome since she has gone to live with her son, Abe

Mrs P K Francis is very sick, and has been thus for a couple weeks There is no marked change of any note, but hope she will recover soon

The German Reform, north of Waldo, had a new preacher last Saturday, from Bellaire, O His name is G F Huffedt

Mrs Dave Curran is on the sick list but by last report was getting better We hope she will be able to be about soon

The Drake, Conklin and Waldo schools are having writing schools once every week

We have not had a contagious disease in or near Waldo this winter, while at Prospect and other places the schools are nearly broken up by them

We learn that quite a number of dogs have been on the sick list by troubling our farmers sheep recently Several sheep and dogs were killed

Miss Joe Brundidge, who went to Kansas to teach in a graded department in one of their cities, started for Ohio not long since and owing to her not arriving it is presumed she has been snowbound on the way

Mr Chas Taylor, who has charge of Brush College, is doing grand school work, as everybody in the district apparently are well pleased

Miss Hattie Taylor, who has charge of the primary school in Waldo, is boarding at her uncle's since holidays, prior to this she walked from Norton

The drove well men and patent siding agents have gone with the Bohemian oats fraud but they will remain in the memory for time to come They caused many enemies in this part of the country

Our roads have grown very rough since the last thaw and freeze These are the first bad roads we have had this winter

While James Emery was digging a well the other day he struck a vein of gas down about seventy five feet, that when a match was lighted and held to the crevice a tongue of fire lashed forth

Mr Harvey Kenyon's two oldest sons disappeared last Friday evening They started from home and said they were going to a writing school in the Conklin district, southwest of Waldo, on the Prospect pike but nothing has been heard of them since

The Waldo theatrical troupe have received invitations from Ashley and several other places to play Ten Nights in a Bar Room We hope they will favor them to indorse our statements in their behalf

The local edition of the LaRue News was badly mistaken in saying that Prof W O Bailey and Miss Kate Blair, of Marion, were examined at Marion, O, for their life certificates, when they went all the way to Columbus O

Since the Christmas tree and its enjoyments our Sunday school is not so well attended

Our farmers are taking a rest from a new supply of ice by cleaning the old ice stations and erecting new ones

Several of our young men are attending school at Ada O They think of our enterprising little Normal at Marion O which surely affords as good advantages as to be sought anywhere

Mr Dwight Bishop of Marion gave his mother a visit this week

Mr Chas Wyatt of Ashley visited his mother last Monday

Mrs French gave relatives a visit at Marion and Galion during holidays

The smoke of the new saw mill on the Drake farm can be seen at Waldo They are doing a good business

Our wheat fields are not looking very encouraging at present nor have not since the wheat was put in the ground It has lain in the ground and not even sprouted This is the condition of over half the wheat that was sown in this locality Farmers are not looking for any wheat and expect to turn the ground into some other use

We learn that I S Elliott who is teaching in the Oborn district this winter is doing good work and effort will be made to retain his services for another year

Will Coleman is still shipping poultry from this place He has no competition around here

Several of our farmers are making ready to open their sugar camps the first appearance of spring Sugar has been going up up in price, so that 6½c sugar cannot be bought for less than 7½c per lb Some one is cornering the sweet stuff somewhere

There will be quarterly meeting in the M E church next Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings Dr Rutlidge presiding elder, of Delaware, will be present

Miss Lilla Gompf visited relatives in Richland tp during holidays

Mr Hanna of Delaware preached in the M E church last Sunday afternoon instead of Rev W W Winters, who has this appointment

John Smith, our leading blacksmith has all the work he cares about doing, all the time

Mr M Taylor has not been in good health for some time We hope he will recover soon, as he is under medical treatment

John Beard of Delaware, who is one of Blackford's tinware peddlers gave this place a call last week

Everybody is well pleased in regard to the handling of the mail at this place We have two mail carriers Harmon Hull and Henry Schnders who make trip about to Marion and Delaware

No one that we know of went from this place to Marion to look after the selling of tax rights last Tuesday I don t think Waldo is very much delinquent

We think the Marion Weekly STAR the newsiest paper published in the county therefore we indorse it to every reader of the county

Jan 18 LOCAL CATCHER

Clifton Station

Snow, rain and sleet

Fine poultry has taken a raise

Scott Rhoads and Will Hoover were at Marion on Tuesday

Amos Clement was at Hepburn on business last Tuesday

D H Clifton returned from Columbus on Friday, the 13th

Claude Clement is in bed fast with scarlet fever Dr Shirey of LaRue, is the attending physician

Mrs N A Lucas is on the sick list suffering from neuralgia but is able to be around

Phillip Bauer the grocery man, of Marion was in town Monday looking up fine poultry

The writer has received letters from Kansas friends and the suffering from cold there as reported in daily dispatches is all false

The party that holds the book "Life of Garfield" belonging to the writer, will please return same and save cost Only a reasonable time will be given

An infant child of Milton Bain and also one of Marsh Burdge died last week We are sorry we can not give a fuller report but we have not the particulars

Jacob Huffman is a worker He sometimes pounds away until 10 clock at night Mr H is a first-class horse shoer, notwithstanding reports by his competitors to the contrary

George Parish, the engineer at Titus saw mill has rented the old Metz farm and will engage in farming

Postmaster Mohr is getting pretty high toned He has bought Jack Davis new house, which he will move to his own property and turn into a cow shed

D H Clifton sustained a loss of $100 by the burning of the Columbus Poultry and Pet stock show He had ten fine chickens, valued at the above price on exhibition receiving first, second and third premiums He also received four premiums in the way of subscriptions to different papers Taking his exhibit into consideration as being against a collection of such great odds in number, we say Marion county certainly is ahead

January 18 1888 JOE STITES

Prospect

This is splendid winter weather We have a good foundation for sleighing and if we only had a few more inches of snow, it would be first class

Emanuel Knachel died Monday evening after a long and painful illness of dropsy The deceased was one of our most esteemed citizens and was highly respected by all Funeral service was held at the M E church on Wednesday, the sermon being delivered by Rev Hill assisted by Revs George, Ruhl and Griffith The G A R of which order the deceased was a member attended in a body and the church was filled to overflowing by relatives and friends

Mrs Mollie Rowse and sister Miss Flora Warren, spent Saturday and Sunday in this place, the guests of relatives

Daniel Owens of Owen was in town on business Saturday We are always glad to see Mr Owens

Miss Anna Smith, of Millville was the guest of Mr and Mrs Artz over Sunday

H M Moore of Owen was in this place looking up business matters Saturday

George Stockman is engaged in teaching penmanship at the Marion Normal school Mr Stockman is one of the best writers in the state of his country

The Advance was not published last Saturday In that place appeared the Prospect News published by the Prospect Publishing company We do not know whether Mr VanWinkle intends to continue publishing or not We think one paper is all the town will support

Dance at Town hall Tuesday night

A surprise party was had at Mrs Tanlen east of town Wednesday evening the occasion being the twenty first birthday of Thos Tanlon

Mr and Mrs Howison held a reception on Wednesday night at the home of Squire Howison west of town

There was a surprise party at Finns Nobles on Wednesday evening

Levi and M H Wolfring were at Delaware Saturday on business

Star Specialty company at the Opera House Thursday night

Jacob McCausland has returned from an extended trip in the South

The butchers are busy laying in their ice for the summer

George Fines of Jonesville is kept busy putting on horse shoes at present George is an excellent workman

Mrs Henry Behrens died this (Friday) morning

An infant daughter of Mr and Mrs C H Brunner died Tuesday evening The remains were taken to Cardington for interment

Any person who thinks they can play heelers can be interested at Brown's tonsorial parlor

January 20 1888 M

LaRue

M H Vanden's drug store is now owned by G L Baughman who occupied a part of the room with jewelry formerly He intends to fill up the stock and solicits the patronage of the public

The gas well is going down

C is not yet able to circulate much and is not posted in details

Orr nd reference to C in his Mirror letter I am not able to appreciate—imperfect sentences

Brother Bechtold has been to see Prof Webber and is now absent to consult a New York Physician I understand that both decline to treat his case and offer about the same advice that I suggested in my reference to his case

Health good excepting colds and a chance case of measles I think

Mrs Caston is reported convalescent

It is reported that, in the alley matter the alley will not be accepted at the price that costs will be paid and Waples allowed to keep the ground

Corporal Tanner is to be at Delanders hall on the evening of the 12th of February His reputation as a lecturer is good

The year of 88 is passing and it will be very eventful, yet results lie largely in our power to make them what we will Such as are taking no thought of old age remember it will overtake you unless death prevents

We have not had a Senator from this district for many years who created much stir, or made a record very high or of surprising merit We seem to have stumbled upon one this time however who has created more or less sensation and causes his name to be mentioned frequently He made his mark in '72 but it was a failure It faded out but seems to be constitutional and a kind of blood disease—liable to break out again It has appeared lately on him, and may afflict him all winter This is probably the only notoriety that will overtake him during his Senatorial career It was feared when he was a candidate that his old disease might cause some trouble

January 19 1888 C

Caledonia

The weather for the past week has been quite cold and the ice crop is now being gathered The ice is about eight or nine inches thick and of the finest quality, being clear as crystal

Geo W Ault and wife were visiting Columbus

Geo Savory of Ind, is visiting friends in this place

Dr W C Arons was in town this week He is located at Akron He reports an immense practice and if we judge from outward appearances he must be prosperous

Our schools have again opened up in good shape considering the 'measled children

Last Friday night our town was thrown into excitement by the report that Mrs S J Hipsher had died very suddenly at Dr Maxwell's On repairing there we found the report only too true It appears she had been in church and had taken sick there and left to go to a doctor s office, when she was stricken down Mrs Hipsher was a most estimable lady, and a true Christian one whose every day life was a living example, and her death will be keenly felt by all this community The funeral services were conducted by Rev Whitworth, and his address was very touching Mr Hipsher and family have the sympathy of all

The youngest daughter of Mrs Albert Hunter died after a lingering illness, at the home of T N Anderson yesterday

Mr James Lindsay is slowly but surely nearing the end of life He is one of our earliest settlers

January 19 1888 LIDUS

Claridon Adelaide

Geo Harshner, of Etna Green, Ind is visiting his relatives in this county, being this week at Dr Devore's

John Plotner, who was reported seriously sick last week is no better at this writing

Mrs Yeager relict of the late Geo Yeager fell on Saturday last fracturing one of the bones of her forearm

A musical concert to be given by Mrs Varden of Edison is announced for next week Proceeds to go towards paying for another bell

There has been a dozen converts at Salem during the protracted meeting A revival is in progress at the United Brethren church at this place

The peculiar soil found on F D Fields' farm has been dried and pulverized, and is said when mixed with oil makes an excellent and durable paint of a lead color

Conundrum What is the matter with this end of Marion county ? We haven t one foot of gravel roads We have broad acres of fertile land and pay heavy taxes part of which help to pay for pikes in other parts of the county There is something lacking—sand presumably

Wm Gompf contemplates moving to Rochester N Y where he will obtain employment in a moulding establishment

If we can induce the Claridon mail carrier to bring down a few dynamite bombs from Caledonia we shall be able to furnish more news next week

January 16 1888 X

Agosta

Business is not very encouraging

There is some sickness in this vicinity

Rough feed is scarce and in good demand

Benjamin Dutton aged 83 years and a very highly respected gentleman died at his home in Big Island township on Monday morning at 10 clock He had the measles some time ago from which he never fully recovered He was born in the State of Delaware He leaves a large family and many friends to mourn their loss His remains were buried at the Pleasant Hill cemetery on Tuesday

A child of Richard Cleveland died a few days since from the measles and its remains were interred on Monday

Several colored couple came over from Marion a few evenings ago to visit Abe Poindexter An old Virginia hoedown was indulged in Several of our young white men attended it and they report a good time Profs Young and Miller furnished the music

Rev Drown commenced a protracted effort at the M E church last evening

A Mr Webster, of Columbus is visiting with G E Taft

Postmaster Ellie Moore of Clifton, was in this village today He runs a grocery in connection with the postoffice and he reports business over there good

Henry Lamus of Green Camp was here yesterday

January 18 1888 JUSTICE

Green Camp

Rev M S Walker of Crawford county, will be publicly examined with a view to ordination at the U B church here next Sabbath Jan 21st

The protracted meeting now being held at the Otterbein U B church is a marked success

We noticed Wm Williams of Woodland, who recently lost a foot by a railroad train, on our streets a few days ago He handles his crutches like a veteran

Miss Maggie Johnston of Allen county, is at present visiting her many relatives in this vicinity

Mrs Jennie Wallace who has been visiting her parents and friends here has returned to her home in Buffalo N Y

The many friends of Wesley Yeo in this vicinity are sorry to learn of his sudden death at his home in Allen county He and family were former residents of this place

T C Davis and R M Walker are engaged in erecting a dwelling house for a Mr Houser near Owen They are the boss mechanics and any one wanting building done will do well to engage them

The different schools of our township are all progressing finely

Some sickness in the village

Merchants report trade fair

January 18 1888 NEMO

Reforming Chicago

CHICAGO Ill Jan 20—Mayor Roche, Chicago's reform mayor has revoked the license of Bradway & Troyser the only licensed bill posters of Chicago for covering the dead walls of the city with lascivious pictures of the blondes of the Lily Clay Burlesque company playing at the Casino The mayor says that innocent women and children shall not be confronted with these indecent pictures He will investigate the character of the performance and if it is as indicated by the bills will revoke the license of the theater

Two Men Asphyxiated

NEW YORK Jan 20—Two men registering as F Parker and L Fulton of Shubenacadie N S were assigned a room in the International hotel in Park row yesterday In the morning the odor of gas coming from the room was so strong that the door was burst open Both men were found lying on the floor dead The gas was turned on full

Skipped to Parts Unknown

CHARLESTON W Va Jan 19—T P Wilson a tall man who has been employed in this city and who married a Miss Hall of Coal Valley in November last has skipped for parts unknown leaving numerous unpaid bills It is said he has a wife and several children in Staunton Va where he resided before coming to this city

Connecticut Masons

HARTFORD Conn Jan 19—The Masonic Grand Lodge of Connecticut held its annual meeting here yesterday All but two of the 109 subordinate lodges of the state were represented The centennial celebration will be held in New Haven in July 1889 John H Mix, of Yalesville was elected grand master

A Country Bank Robbed

TISKILWA Ill Jan 19—The Bank of Tiskilwa was entered last night and $5100 was stolen therefrom The work was undoubtedly done by professional burglars Dynamite was used to explode the lock of the vault The robbery was not discovered till morning and there is no clew to the burglars It is believed to be the work of Chicago cracksmen

Will Check Baggage Through

BALTIMORE Jan 19—Arrangements have been made by the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad company to check baggage through from all stations on its line to San Francisco and other Pacific coast points for passengers holding through tickets The new arrangement takes effect Monday night

Quarreled With His Wife

ROCHESTER, N Y Jan 19 —James Grinder, fifty three years old after a quarrel with his wife left the house and threw himself in front of a train on the Rochester & Pittsburg railroad He was killed and his body terribly mangled

Another Coasting Accident Victim

HAVERHILL Mass Jan 19—Napoleon Fricot, one of the boys hurt in Monday night's coasting accident died last night The other patients are doing well

Chinese Swallowed Up

SHANGHAI Jan 20—While 4 000 workmen under the command of several mandarins were making a breakwater to stem the Hoangho floods they were engulfed by a sudden rush of water Only a few escaped

Store Robbed By Burglars

COSHOCTON O Jan 20—Burglars entered the store of J W Thompson & Company, of West Carlisle this county blew the safe open and secured $300 The indications are that the burglars were experts

ROGER LAROQUE.

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BY OLIVE HARPER

CHAPTER XIX

Roger returned saddened and [illegible] from the bedside of Julia, who, he now knew, had willed, probably designed, his ruin and now all that had been hidden in that poor boy's heart was plain to him. Added to this thought was the fear of losing his only child, and he began to wish he had never left America, where they had been at peace. But what was done was done. He [illegible] to think of her and her happiness [illegible] if she lived.

When he reached the house at daybreak he almost feared to enter the room but he mustered what courage he could and opened the door softly and made two steps forward, when he saw Suzanne lying with her beautiful violet eyes, now preternaturally large, wide open and a sweet smile upon her lips and she stretched out her hand, saying feebly:

Oh father, how happy I am.

Roger held out his arms to Raymond, who after one minute of hesitation threw himself into Roger Laroque's embrace.

Raymond knew from Roger's eyes that his mother was dead, but neither dared say a word before Suzanne, and as her father kissed her tenderly he said:

"I am obliged to send Raymond away from you for a day or two, my child, on business that brooks of no delay, but you will be brave and spare him, will you not? For your father's sake, and for Raymond's future, which is now to be passed by your side."

Suzanne, too weak to talk, made an affirmative sign and Raymond bent over her and pressed his first kiss on her lips—his seal of betrothal.

Raymond knew all: his mother had expiated her crime and her soul had passed to a higher Judge, and Roger had forgiven her, and if his mother was forgiven then at last he might accept the joy that such forgiveness brought.

The two men went out together and Raymond heard all there was to tell, and he went to Meriden farm to pay the last rites to his erring mother's ashes.

Roger loved his child, and he was willing that she should become Raymond's wife, but that did not prevent him from feeling his loss, and as he walked his thoughts went, as indeed they always had, back to the days when his beloved wife was with him before this cruel tragedy had taken place. He had loved Henriette truly and purely, and her memory was always bright and holy kept in his heart of hearts.

That day was Saturday, and it was for that night that the appointment with Luversan was made, at Laroquette's cottage in Ville d'Avray, which he had rented some days before. Everything had remained just as it was the day of the murder. Nothing was changed, and Roger was obliged to be there punctual to his appointment, to make an effort to discover the real assassin in order to clear his own name.

Suzanne, the doctor said, was now out of danger and Roger left her in his charge and that of the nurse for the night and she seemed to be so well that he had no fear.

Roger had written Tristot and Pivolot to come there as early as ten o'clock, and they, acting on his orders, induced M. Lacroix and M. De Lignerolles to accompany them. The latter, though not knowing what they were wanted for, were both on hand at the hour appointed and were taken at once to a room adjoining the one where Roger intended to receive Luversan and where Laroquette had been killed. Tristot took the hat and somehow managed to make those two men, usually so positive and opinionated, accept the demand that they should wait there, and promised they should see something worth all their pains. They were duly introduced to Mr. William Forney and found him a pleasant gentleman, though a little mysterious in wishing them to come here in so peculiar a manner, but they were sufficiently curious to await the events prepared for them.

It was about 9 o'clock when Luversan descended from the train and took his way along the street towards the cottage, and he looked nervously about him and felt reassured as he saw none but strange faces. He went slowly along the street until he came to the cottage and there, in spite of all he could do, he slipped to the darkest side and kept as much as possible under the shadow of those same trees which had sheltered him before. In spite of all he could do he was afraid.

But he knew what was at stake and he went to the door this time as he had not done before and rang the bell. Roger himself opened it, saying carelessly:

Excuse me. I have no servants yet except Mother Dondaine, who cooks and manages for me for the present.

Luversan gave his hand to Roger, who *noticed that it was cold and damp, and that* he shivered, though the night was warm.

Are you ill?" said Roger.

No. I walked rapidly, that is all.

They went up the few steps leading to the little sitting room and though Luversan tried to smile it was more of a grimace that disfigured his features and his breathing seemed oppressed as they entered the fatal room, and Luversan made a gesture of horror as he noticed everything that had been fixed in his memory for ten years.

Come in, come in," said Roger. "It's not very pleasant here, but it is cheap, and therefore pleases me. I took it because I heard there was a ghost, but there isn't, after all. Here is the very room and the identical secretary, the spot where the old man they tell us of was murdered and they found his body right there where you stand.

Luversan stepped back quickly and looked mechanically on the floor, saying hoarsely: Is that blood?

No, no," replied Roger. "The folks scrubbed that up. I wish they had left it. But you appear uneasy. Don't you like the place?"

It is not that; it is that what you are about to answer me is of such mighty importance that I am anxious.

Oh, yes, well, that is grave, very grave, and I am very, very—yes, really sorry——

"What! you refuse!"

"Well, not exactly. I don't say that I refuse, but I am not quite ready to accept either. I will tell you. I understand you need a million. Well, yesterday I went to Paris to get it, but my bankers, who hold my funds, persuaded me to tell them why I wanted it, and they objected so strenuously that I could not get it. I was hurt, and though I happened to have drawn some 500,000 or 600,000 francs, I have it all, and that is why I am perplexed. Of course, as soon as I could get to New York I could let you have the whole, but that takes so long."

Luversan began to plead and argue and try to persuade Roger that he could easily borrow the rest and let him have it in the morning, but Roger said he never borrowed and that was out of the question.

"I don't contradict you," he said, "I might borrow it [illegible] I have here somewhere, [illegible] but that is of no use to you and so [illegible]." And saying this he partly opened the secretary, letting Luversan see the packages of money, and his eyes [illegible] looked upon them.

If I had that I would leave the country, he thought, and get to New York and in a few [illegible] an enormous fortune.

But [illegible] let him have the $100,000 [illegible] part of it, and finally Luversan [illegible] left the house and Roger [illegible] upon him and then he went [illegible] and opened the window where [illegible] had entered before and turned the light down a little and then carried something heavy and awkward to the secretary and placed it there, then rejoined the four men in the next room.

But a [illegible] later they heard a slight noise and saw [illegible] creeping along toward the house, always [illegible] the shadow of the trees, from the [illegible] the Villa Montalais, and saw him glide from one shadow to another; saw him reach the grating by which he could climb to the window and grasp the bars and softly mount until he reached the sill and then step over and into the room and creep softly, slowly toward the secretary, where William Forney sat with his head bowed upon his folded arms and fast asleep. He must have been asleep as he did not hear nor lift his head, and the draft from the open window flickered the light a little and lifted a lock of that snow white hair.

Luversan held in his right hand a long and sharp poignard, and as he advanced he lifted it high in the air and brought it down with all his might upon the middle of the back of the sleeping man, who moved but slightly under the shock. Luversan drew the knife out to strike again, and he struck ten, twenty times in an access of fury, and when he was tired he coolly drew the horrible knife out again as if to wipe off the blood. His face blanched and his hair rose and his eyes literally started from his head: there was no blood on it.

At this instant he felt a heavy hand fall upon his shoulder and instantly he found himself surrounded by five men, among them the very man he had supposed lay under his assassin's knife.

While they stood thus, each man silent, not knowing just what move to make next, a cry so plaintive, [illegible] and prolonged—a woman's scream that ended in a ghostly wail, rang out through the silence of the night, and the sound came from the balcony of the house Roger Laroque had inhabited with his family, and this cry was only one word:

Roger!

Every one shuddered at this ghostly wail, and Luversan said:

I am lost.

Luversan," said Roger, "the only thing that will save you is a confession."

"Confess! What have I to confess? You saw all."

It does not relate to this crime attempted on me, but another one.

I do not understand you.

You understand me only too well. This is not your first visit to this house, for one night ten years ago you came here. You climbed up as you did to-night in this very room. This place has terrible recollections for you.

Who are you?" cried Luversan.

"You came here," continued Roger, "and you saw a man at the secretary with his back turned. He did not hear you. Your two fists fell upon his white head and then you tried to strangle him. After that, as the poor old man struggled and you found him stronger than you had thought, in your fear you shot him, and then you left with your pockets filled with his money. Laroquette was dead and you were his assassin."

Who are you? What are you?" gasped the wretch.

Confess your crime. Here is M. De Lignerolles, magistrate, and M. Lacroix, and they both hear you. Confess, if you wish that they have mercy for you later.

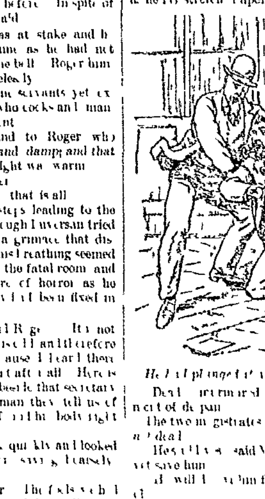
Tell me first who are you?

You did not know me. It is true they thought me dead. Remember one whom you commenced to hate during the war, when you were court martialed and condemned for your treachery, when you were Mathias Zuber. Do you remember now?

Laroque! Laroque! said he, falling on his knees, which refused longer to support him, which movement brought him beside the manikin which Roger had made to receive the murderous blows.

Roger Laroque, after ten years.

All *regarded this trembling wretch.* He was but too plainly the assassin. Pale, haggard and frightened, he was an object of the most abject terror. Yet Roger needed his admission that he was the criminal. Luversan saw his poignard on the floor and in a second he seized it, and before Tristot could prevent he had plunged it into his own breast. The blood poured out of the horrible wound as he lay stretched upon the floor.



He had plunged it into his own breast

Dead! murmured Roger, with a movement of despair.

The two magistrates knelt by him. He was not dead.

He still lives," said M. Lacroix. "We may yet save him."

[illegible] will [illegible] but for a few minutes," said Tristot.

[illegible] speak," said M. De Lignerolles, "in the name of God, before whom you must [illegible] appear.

[illegible] of Luversan, hardly breathing, [illegible]

[illegible] Laroque is innocent. I did it for vengeance, but I am [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] stepped to [illegible] and as he [illegible] when the unhappy young mother saw [illegible] fright and [illegible] in Laroquette's [illegible]. He thought he saw something [illegible] young [illegible] fatal night [illegible]. The moon shone through a rift in the waving branches of the chestnut trees, and he felt sure that he saw the white, contorted face of a woman [illegible] that [illegible] thought it [illegible] the unhappy woman whose death [illegible] able.

He did [illegible] go over the [illegible] emotion [illegible] he would have been afraid; as it was he gave a [illegible] later [illegible] and standing [illegible] through the open window [illegible] from there [illegible] ground some six or seven feet [illegible] an instant was seen [illegible] across the lawn that Roger had [illegible] and restored to its former beauty, for it grieved him to the heart to see the place which was sacred to him by a thousand endearing memories neglected and forgotten.

Tristot in a few leaps had crossed the space [illegible] with the agility of a monkey he climbed up one of the columns which supported the balcony, and was then he found the inanimate body of the poor young wife who had been supposed dead so many years.

As soon as he satisfied himself that Henriette was not dead he gave a peculiar whistle, which caused Pivolot to [illegible] turn to the wind [illegible] a sign which he well *knew, and he answered it by jumping incon*tinently [illegible] the sward and rushing to Tristot [illegible] whisper:

Bring the [illegible] lights quick and take care Laroque [illegible] away from this woman until I give the [illegible]. If I am not greatly mistaken it is the wife."

The three men who had remained by the side of the dead assassin heard Tristot as he called, and he told them to bring lights and come with all possible speed to Villa Montalais, where something remarkable had taken place. It was only then that they all remembered the awful wailing cry they had heard, and they looked at each other in horrified silence, but M. Lacroix seized a lamp, and shading it with his hat ran down the stairs, followed by Roger and M. De Lignerolles, and they hurried across to the front door, which Roger opened with the key he had obtained from the agent from whom he had rented his own house, as he had not dared claim its possession in the name of Suzanne, who was its ostensible owner.

They went up the stairs, Pivolot cautioning them against making a noise, and when they reached the parlor they found that Tristot had already borne the body of Henriette to her own room, with a memory for places that would have been remarkable in any one but himself. As soon as he received the light he made a sign for M. Lacroix to follow him, and he only was permitted to enter the room. Instantly he recognized the pale face lying upon the pillows, apparently without life or motion, as that of Mme. Laroque, whom he had [illegible] beyond his power to solve.

M. Lacroix went back again, and as he *tried to speak he burst into such a passion of* penitent tears that every one was moved. Then he said, recovering himself:

Pivolot, you are something of a doctor. For God's sake do something for that poor creature, and Tristot, go for the doctor, and if you see a woman anywhere bring her here. If not, go for Mother Dondaine, and don't let the grass grow till you bring some one.

M. De Lignerolles, you and I may have reason to be thankful for this night's work, which may enable us to repair the greatest wrong we have ever done. Roger Laroque, brace yourself for the greatest shock you probably ever experienced. The person who lies insensible in your wife's bed is—courage—none other than she herself, alive, and I hope soon to be restored to you. Stay, do not go in there yet. She has fainted, and it might be dangerous for her to see you too suddenly. Try to wait in patience until the arrival of the doctor. Come, you have been resigned and patient under her supposed loss. Now that she is alive and found, have courage just a little while longer.

Roger could not, dared not, believe them when they told him this, and he sat like one who has received a stunning blow upon the head which had benumbed all his faculties. He remembered *afterward* that he had thought that sometimes he had heard of such things—things fully as unexpected and remarkable as this—and he tried to bring himself to hope that no chance resemblance had deceived these usually astute men. Then he thought: I will not allow myself to even hope until I am sure. It is impossible.

I beg of you, M. Laroque, do not look so frightened or unhappy. I assure you, on my *honor as a man, and as one who has uncon*sciously wronged both you and that poor young lady lying within, that I am not mistaken; that is your wife beyond a doubt. We found a body in the river, it is true, which was supposed to be hers, but the river, you know, is quite far from here, and it is very certain now that it was that of some unfortunate person, not your wife. Where she has been all these years, how she has returned and entered here, is more than I can tell, and then besides, her presence on that balcony—that strange cry we heard calling your name. Why, can you not see? Do you not feel?

Alas," said Roger, in a husky whisper, "I have suffered so much that I dare not hope. Let me be until there is no possibility of mistake. Oh, let me see her.

Wait—wait just one little minute till the doctor comes. But how is it that everything is so clean and in such perfect order here? This house has been uninhabited ever since your uncle took the little one away. She may have been living here unknown to anybody all this while.

No, for when I returned to this country one of my first visits was to this place, and the neglect [illegible] was so painful to me, so I went as William Forney and leased both these places and had Mother Dondaine put both houses in order, and if what you think could possibly be true I shall be doubly glad I did so.

During this conversation Pivolot was doing all he could to restore the poor young woman to consciousness, but without avail. She breathed, however, regularly, though faintly, and knowing nothing better to do he retired from sight of her and stood waiting for Tristot to return.

Tristot had found and sent the doctor post haste, without saying who he was to find at the supposed deserted house. When he reached there and found the two magistrates and the American he was surprised, but when he saw his patient his astonishment turned to [illegible] that it was with difficulty he could administer the needful remedies. When he came out of the room he saw that the strange man appeared horribly agitated, and that he clasped his hands as he said, in [illegible] trusting [illegible]: Doctor, I pray you tell me if you know her?

Why, any one would have a right to ask!

He has, Doctor," said M. Lacroix, "and I [illegible] Laroque that [illegible] tell him if you know."

Very well, then. [illegible] the lady [illegible] all [illegible] these [illegible] supposed body [illegible] and whose funeral [illegible] Henriette Laroque."

Are you [illegible]—certain without the possibility of doubt? Tell me true, doctor.

Of course I am. I [illegible] ever since [illegible]. Have I not attended her and her little girl in every illness they had? I only wonder how I could have been such a blind [illegible] before.

Still Roger durst not hope. He could believe no one but himself, and he had not seen her. Besides, he thought there is but one lamp, and by its feeble [illegible] they cannot see clearly, and [illegible] the poor man tried to shut his heart again, fearing a disappointment. Just now [illegible] was heard without, and some one ran [illegible] and he came up stairs with a triumphant air and a handful of candles which he had hastily purchased.

The person who was with him was not Mother Dondaine, but the good and gentle old Mme. Dubois. He had seen her hurrying along the street, [illegible] anxiously in every direction as if hunting for some one or something.

Oh, sir," said he to Tristot, "have you seen a [illegible] man dressed in black pass by here? She slipped out and I cannot find her. She is just like a little child in her mind, sir, one of God's own, you know, a natural, and I am so frightened I don't know what will become of her here. She never wanted to [illegible] us at all in the valley."

Come with me. I think I know something. Is she your daughter?"

"No, she just appeared at our house like the saints and [illegible], and for ten years she has lived with us and we loved her and treated her as if she was our own. She was all dressed in black, with her beautiful hair all hanging in loose curls, and she had on one slipper only.

She never told us who she was or where she came from, and if we asked her anything she always said: I know nothing about it, and I never saw anything [illegible], and that was all."

Tristot was satisfied now, and in a few moments the old lady was by the poor young wife's side, but her efforts, like the doctor's, did not seem to arouse her. Still, the doctor said she was in no immediate danger, and seemed more in a lethargic slumber than a *faint, and he questioned the old woman, who* repeated her simple story, which convinced all who heard it of Henriette's identity.

When Roger heard this story he was so overcome with joy and with the reaction of all the emotions through which he had passed during the last few weeks, that he was absolutely unable to sustain himself. The doctor said:

Well, Roger, though it seems like reading the wildest romance to discover that you are alive and here, and to know all that has passed, I must believe it all, strange as it is. Now I have this to say, and hope you will obey me. I wish to give you a sleeping potion and let you get a rest, which you greatly need. As to poor Henriette, you may go in and see her, just to satisfy yourself, but you must not let yourself be seen. It is now certain that this poor child has been [illegible] all these years as the result of the dreadful shock she experienced. It is possible, and even probable, that this new shock on this poor child's brain and nervous sensibilities may restore her reason, repeating itself, so to speak, in such a manner as to call her shaken faculties to life by the very thing which did her the first evil.

"You say, Mme. Dubois, that she has ap*peared restless and uneasy ever since you* brought her to Ville d'Avray. In my opinion that is a good symptom and showed awakening intelligence. I hardly dare assert that she will be restored, still I feel that I am justified in telling you to hope. Now, Roger, you may just step inside the door and keep behind the bed curtains and take one look, but be careful, no noise or motion to rouse her. Come, I will go first with the light.

With knees that almost refused their burden, and eyes almost blinded with unshed tears, Roger, stifling his very breath, crept after the doctor to verify or lose his last hope, and with one last prayer to God for strength to bear the disappointment if so it was to be, he looked through the curtains as the light fell upon the sleeping face of his beloved wife.

Yes, it was she. Her rich, dark hair lay in massive waves and curls upon the white pillows, and the marble white brow was that he had so often kissed. Those beautiful blue veined lids with the delicately penciled brows and thick long lashes hid the tender eyes of Henriette, which were the indexes of a soul so noble and pure. The perfect oval of the face and the sensitive and beautiful mouth were Henriette's own, and Roger often afterward wondered why he did not die of joy then.

He would have stood there forever, absorbed in the delirium of his happiness, had the doctor not come and led him out, softly closing the door.

"Well, now, my boy, what do you think? It is our lost one, is it not? You see your sufferings are over, Roger. Come, now, you must take what I have here and go to your room and lie down and give yourself up ab*solutely to repose, or we shall have you ill* just when we want you well on her account. I will stay here and watch her to-night in company with this good woman. Tristot, you will go on to her house and tell them as much as is necessary, and bring her good man back with you if he will come. I want all the familiar faces around her possible when she does awake."

Tristot departed, after having received his directions from Mme. Dubois.

Then M. Lacroix and M. De Lignerolles rose and took their departure, saying:

We must go about the business which awaits us in the next house, and which, by the grace of God, will be the means of restoring all you have lost, aside from your ten years of suffering. We will need Pivolot, and you may need Tristot, so keep him here as long as you do. We shall not require your testimony regarding the merited death of Luversan. We will write down all as we know it and you can simply sign it. Devote yourself now entirely to your wife, and we counsel you to do as the doctor says—seek a repose which you sadly need."

They shook hands warmly and bid each other good night, and Roger, who felt that he could never sleep again, in ten minutes was sleeping as soundly as a child.

Three days passed during which Henriette slept the most of the time, and whenever she roused Mme. Dubois was always beside her, and she knew no one else. She ate whatever was given her and acted like a tired child, saying few words. Sometimes she looked about her a little and then slept again.

The doctor felt that a crisis was approaching and was nearly as anxious as Roger, who, *now that certainty had taken possession* of his soul, longed to fly to Suzanne with the good news. Every telegram he had received from his child said that she was better, and the last one said that she was almost well. The doctor said to Roger:

I think she will soon rouse from this lethargic slumber. If it is possible I would like to have Suzanne here, for if she does awake [illegible] the shock of not finding her daughter might be fatal. I think you had better go [illegible] for her.

Roger joyfully started for his daughter, and [illegible] was about to step on the [illegible] Tristot handed him a little package which he opened as he rode along toward the [illegible]. In it were several notes [illegible] Luversan, which proved her [illegible] the plan for vengeance, but [illegible] that she had not been [illegible] as [illegible] had supposed. Roger [illegible] from a way station for Raymond to meet him, and he found the young man there with a face pale and careworn, upon which was an expression of mingled [illegible]. Roger opened his arms and [illegible] embraced him with an almost [illegible]. As they walked rapidly from the [illegible] to the house Roger told Raymond [illegible] for happiness God had [illegible] and then said:

Raymond, here are some letters which prove to me, as I hope they will prove to you, that your mother was more sinned against than sinning. Take them and destroy them and let there be from henceforth peace between us and you, my son. Give my love to Pierre, and tell him all, and you and Suzanne shall fix your wedding day for this fall."

Happiness and the frequent visits of Raymond had worked wonders with Suzanne, who was her own lovely self again, except for a slight pallor, and that she was thinner than usual, and that her beautiful violet eyes looked too large for her delicate face. The news her father brought was so wonderful that she could hardly believe it, and she plied him with questions during the whole return to Ville d'Avray.

There had been little change in Henriette's condition, unless that she awoke at shorter *intervals than before and looked about her as* if searching for some one or something, though she said no word to signify what it was.

Suzanne, with her rare perception, instantly thought that in her changed appearance her mother would not know her, so she set about making a white pinafore, such as she wore when little, and she shook her wealth of hair loose down over her shoulders and down over her forehead just as her mother had *loved to see her wear it, and tied it with a* blue ribbon as in the old days. With her hair arranged in this manner and her pinafore on Suzanne ran to her father laughing. He looked at her an instant in surprise. Here was his baby back again! He forgot for a moment all that had passed during these long years and caught her up in his arms and tossed her above his head, shaking her, and at the same time he involuntarily sang a few bars of the little song she had so loved to hear him sing when a child, and she laughed out, a hearty, childish laugh. This laugh aroused the sleeper in the next room, who turned and opened her eyes and called feebly:

"Suzanne!"

"Here I am, mamma," said the loving girl, as she flew to the bedside, making herself as little as she could.

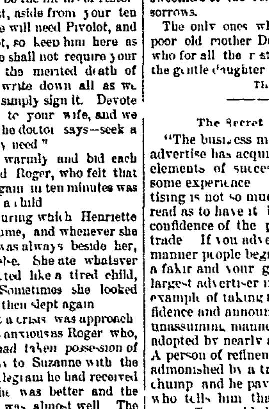
Suzanne, my dear little girl, have I been ill, that I find myself in bed?"

"Yes, little mother, you have been very ill, and so have I, but we are both better now, and we are so happy. It is spring and the garden is full of flowers and the birds are singing so loud and sweet and I want you to hurry now and get well so as to go out with me and gather spring flowers."

And with a running fire of nonsense, every sentence of which, however, carried a bit of information with it, Suzanne kept Henriette from making any inquiries, and with infinite finesse she managed so for three or four days until the doctor authorized her to make some allusion to the tragic events which had caused them all such unmerited suffering, and Suzanne carefully and gently, and with a discretion beyond her years, told her mother all, and prepared her for her father's changed appearance.

"Roger, Roger, where is he? Oh, Suzanne, I want to see him. I want to beg his forgiveness for doubting him one moment."

"Mother, don't do that. He feels that you were perfectly justified, and I have had such a time to keep him out of here. Now be prepared for his changed looks and do not excite yourself, and—and—father, you may come in," cried Suzanne, her eyes full of happy tears. The meeting was too sacred to relate. Even Suzanne did not witness it, but it compensated them for all their pain.



He caught her in his arms and tossed her above his head.

All sorrow was over. The shadows passed which had obscured the lives of these noble but unfortunate people. Suzanne and Raymond were married in the fall, and then they learned that Pierre, the quiet and reserved, had found another lovely young girl whose beauty and sweetness calmed his sorrowing heart, and they were to be married at Christmas.

Roger was vindicated before the world which had condemned him, and he took his wife to the White House, where they renewed their youth in their joy, with the added sweetness of the remembrance of their past sorrows.

The only ones who were not glad were poor old mother Dubois and her husband, who for all the rest of their days mourned the gentle daughter they had lost.

THE END

The Secret of Advertising

"The business man who has learned to advertise has acquired one of the principal elements of success," said a printer of some experience. "The secret of advertising is not so much to have the notice read as to have it believed. To lose the confidence of the public is to lose your trade. If you advertise in an undignified manner people begin to look upon you as a fakir and your goods as shoddy. The largest advertiser in Philadelphia set the example of taking the public into his confidence and announcing his goods in an unassuming manner. His style has been adopted by nearly all the leading houses. A person of refinement doesn't like to be admonished by a tradesman not to be a chump, and he pays little heed to the man who tells him that his prices knock the spots off a speckled pig. When you want a suit of clothes the last place you think of going to is the store that advertises 'gent's pants.' To come back to my own trade, there are few printers in the business now. They are all either typographers or typographical artists, and I know of one man who advertised himself as a worker in the black art and a manipulator of the adjustable alphabet.

"There was a personal in one of the Sunday papers some time ago of a literary gent of world wide reputation. That fellow betrayed himself by one word and probably never knew how he did it. One needn't go far to see the questionable taste of many storekeepers. Boots and shoes are advertised as foot gear, fish as sea food and liquors as wet goods. The men who peddle grapes from push carts at three cents per half pound have a habit of turning down one end of their paper signs so that the word half is hidden. The man who complains of short measure has the sign straightened out for him. When he has gone the sign is bent back again.—New York Evening Sun.

THE ENGLISH HANGMAN

He Tells of His Various Struggles to Reach His Present Eminence

James Berry, the public executioner, has taken advantage of a recent professional visit to Chelmsford to confide to a reporter a number of particulars regarding himself, his family and his profession. Some of his confessions are of a kind on which persons of good taste would hardly care to dwell; others are comparatively void of offense and undoubtedly curious. There seems reason to suspect that political sympathies have had something to do with the choice of this highly respectable organ of East Anglian Conservatism as the medium of these confidences. In other words, James Berry is, according to his own declaration, a Conservative through and through, in that regard differing from a brother of his (of whom more anon) who is, or rather was, "a Liberal, and in favor of abolishing capital punishment." Berry, we gather, stands number fourteen in the list of a family of twenty one children.

It will hardly surprise any one to learn that his friends did not approve of his choice of a profession, but all right feeling persons will be shocked to hear of the disastrous indirect effects of James Berry's abnormal inclinations upon his afflicted relatives. Questioned on this delicate subject he replied, mournfully: "It killed my mother and brother." Then with an apparently morbid pleasure in harrowing details he went on to say: "When Marwood died I was appointed in his place, and directly my mother knew of it she *was taken ill. My father's solicitor then* wrote the Home office informing the authorities of this. The result was that I gave up the position, and Binns got the appointment. My mother died soon afterward, and then, when I saw the way in which Binns was going on, I came to the conclusion that he would not hold the place long, and I again wrote to the Home office stating that my mother was *dead, and that there was nothing now to* prevent my accommodating them if my assistance should be required. Soon after that I was engaged to hang two men at Edinburgh, and I have carried out nearly all the executions since then."

The sequel of the tragic tale is yet to tell. "My brother," he went on to say, "had married a girl with plenty of money and his pride received a blow on my ap*pointment. That was the cause of his* death." This, it appears, was the brother who was "a Liberal" and "in favor of abolishing capital punishment." It must be confessed that this unfortunate member of the Berry family could hardly have given a more emphatic proof of his dislike of the hangman's office. It is to be hoped that we have here reached the final incident in this ghastly tale, though *James Berry's final observation,* "Altogether I have buried my mother, two brothers and two aunts within the last three years," has a painfully ominous sound.—London News.

Impositions Practiced on Americans

"What strikes me most forcibly in what I have seen of you Americans," said Mr. John Mantell of London, who is visiting friends on the south side, "is your gullibility. I think you impose on each other and let other people impose on you more than they do in any other country on the face of the globe. Why, in the few days I have been here I have seen a dozen impositions which I understand have long been practiced on you people, and you take no sort of notice of them. For instance, I wanted a pair of shoes, and saw just such a pair as I wanted in a State street window. They were marked $5 in big black figures on a white card. That seemed to be a very reasonable price, and as the card said they were the best make in the land, or something of that sort, I went in with the intention of buying them.

"'I want a pair of shoes like that one in the window,' I said.

"The clerk went straight and got a pair that looked a good deal like the sample. I found a pair that fitted me and handed him a $10 note.

"'Those are $8,' said he.

"'But they are placarded $5 in the window,' I said.

"'Oh, this is not the same shoe. It is made in the same style, but it is much bet*ter made and finer all round.*'

"'But I want that $5 shoe,' I told him.

"After he had done a good deal of looking around he came back and said they hadn't one that would fit me in the shop. Then he tried to flatter by telling me that he naturally supposed I wanted the best, and all that. Now, I understand you Americans let your shop keepers impose on you in this manner year after year and *get rich at it.* Why, at home if a shopkeeper should attempt such a trick it would ruin his business in a twelvemonth. And it ought to here."—Chicago News.

He Wanted to Be Sure

Mrs. Col. Percy Yerger (leaning from her chamber window at midnight, asks in a low and trembling voice)—Is that you, Percy?

Col. Yerger (who has a peculiarity of finding his residence with great difficulty at night when under the influence of the rosy, and who has several times been arrested as a burglar and kicked out frequently on entering a wrong house)—'Fore I answer that question I'd like to know if that's you, Sharah?

"Why, certainly, Percy, it is I."

"Is thish the corner of Austin avenue and (hic) 'ory street?"

"Why, of course it is, Percy."

"Then of coursh it's me. (Indignantly and swaying up and against the fence)—What yer ask fool questions for? Don't you know your own (hic) husband? Come down and lemme in."—Texas Siftings.

His Summer's Work

Professor Alexander Johnson of Princeton is an athlete as well as a historian and political economist. It is related that at the end of last summer's vacation a pedantic young tutor asked him what special work had engaged his attention during the summer. "For my part," said the young man, "I completed my monograph on the different Latin pronunciations. What did you do?" "I covered second base for the local team," said the professor of economics, "and we won five out of the eight games of the season."—New York Tribune.

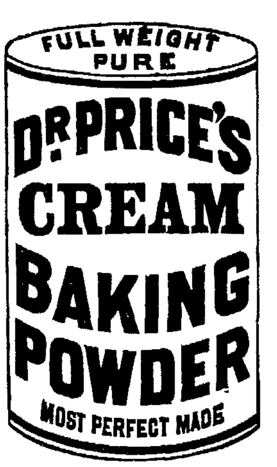
Adulteration of Rubber

Manufacturers complain that the African rubbers now received do not yield, when strained and cleaned, more than 30 to 50 per cent pure rubber gum, owing to the natives adulterating with sawdust, bark, nuts, etc., to overcome the inconvenient stickiness of the juice.—Boston Transcript.

Fashion Note

Jobbs—I see that stripes are very much worn this season.

Bobbs—Oh, yes! But not so much as they would have been if the court of appeals hadn't interfered.—New York Sun.



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STRAY JOKES

Messenger boys sometimes indulge in jumping contests, but the jumps are always standing ones.—New Haven News.

Who says Harvard is a small place? Fair Visitor—Is that building the law school? Dumley '93—Well—er, the truth is I've only been here three years and I don't know all the buildings quite yet.—Harvard Lampoon.

The world would be better if we could know
Ourselves as thoroughly as others know us,
And keep in memory the debts we owe
As constantly as those which others owe us.
—Boston Courier.

A writer in a November magazine asks, "Are the lower animals approaching man?" Some of the lower animals have frequently approached him in the vicinity of orchards, and no doubt they would also approach man if he were on the same errand as the boys.—Norristown Herald.

Edison says only one fourth of a ton of coal is used. The rest goes up the chimney. Edison is wrong. The rest is left at the coal yard.—Omaha Bee.

"My sister Clara," said Bobby to young Mr. Siss, "was telling mamma about your leaving so early last night." "Did she say he was sorry?" [illegible] whispered young S—. "No; she said she supposed you went home so early because very likely your mamma wouldn't let you carry a night key."—The Epoch.

[illegible]
He [illegible] curly head,
Smoked on [illegible] a look of joy
The undertaker's face o'erspread.
—Boston Courier.

It is said that Tennyson has written a funeral ode. Punch should secure an advance copy and brighten up its columns.—Norristown Herald.

Mrs. Nouveau (to departing guest)—Good night, Mr. Augur. I had begun to think you had gone and that we had missed the pleasure of saying goodby to you.—Harper's Bazar.

When first engaged she used to write
On monogram paper of cream and white,
But since we're married times are hard,
She says all she needs on a postal card.
—Harper's Bazar.

The Canadian papers are calling Mr. Chamberlain a Jonah. He ought, then, to be able to get on the inside of the fish question.—Boston Post.

Presence of mind is all well enough in some cases, but when a man finds himself in danger of freezing to death he shouldn't try to keep too cool.—The Epoch.

With grief is filled life's cup
In [illegible] fortune's frown,
When coal is going up
And snow is coming down.
—Boston Courier.

When neuralgia comes feeling around and you have a tooth that begins to feel as though a spring chicken was digging away at its root, it is time to pullet out.—American Artisan.

College football teams have been doing a rushing business this fall.—Burlington Free Press.

Now in working slippers neatly
Girls prepare for Christmas day,
By and by they'll work them fleetly
In a more emphatic way.
—Boston Budget.

Passenger (on southern railroad)—What train is this, conductor? Conductor—It is called the Great Northern limited. Passenger—Why limited? Conductor—Because it runs only a limited number of miles an hour. Ticket please.—The Epoch.

A thousand dollars an hour is said to be a *low estimate of Jay Gould's income.* Were he editing The Blizzard he would lose about $10,000 worth of time each day through the instrumentality of people who call to talk over the weather and things.—Oil City Blizzard.

Now winter draweth on apace
And driveth on the summer;
The haughty ice man yieldeth place
Unto the humble plumber.

P. S.—This poem will be vice versa next April.—Washington Critic.

"Are there no statesmen left?" asks Col. A. K. McClure. Yes, Aleck, a good many. There are dozens of them left at every election.—Wilkesbarre Leader.

A rooster that strums on the piano is exciting the people of Salem, Ill. There is one thing to be said in favor of such a piano player. *The rooster goes to bed at sundown.*—Norristown Herald.

Never Fails to Amuse.

"Anything going on?" asked the city treasurer of a Dakota town of the mayor.

"No; dull," replied the mayor.

"No excitement for a month, I guess?"

"None that I remember."

"Well, I'd like to have some amusement of some kind, but I don't know what we can do."

"Hang it all," returned the mayor, "I've got it—I know what we can do to pass away the time."

"What is it?" inquired the breathless treasurer.

"Why," replied the mayor, with visible [illegible] he got up and put on his hat, "get the boys [illegible] and let's go and move the county seat. The [illegible] old thing hasn't been [illegible] prairie for over three months."—Chicago Tribune.

Twelve Hogs Stolen

CIRCLEVILLE, O., Jan. 3.—Last night a number of [illegible] stole from the pens of Joseph Sowle and [illegible] ten and twelve hogs [illegible]. Both of these gentlemen are farmers, living [illegible] miles south of this city. [illegible] There is no clew. The hogs were valued at about $200.